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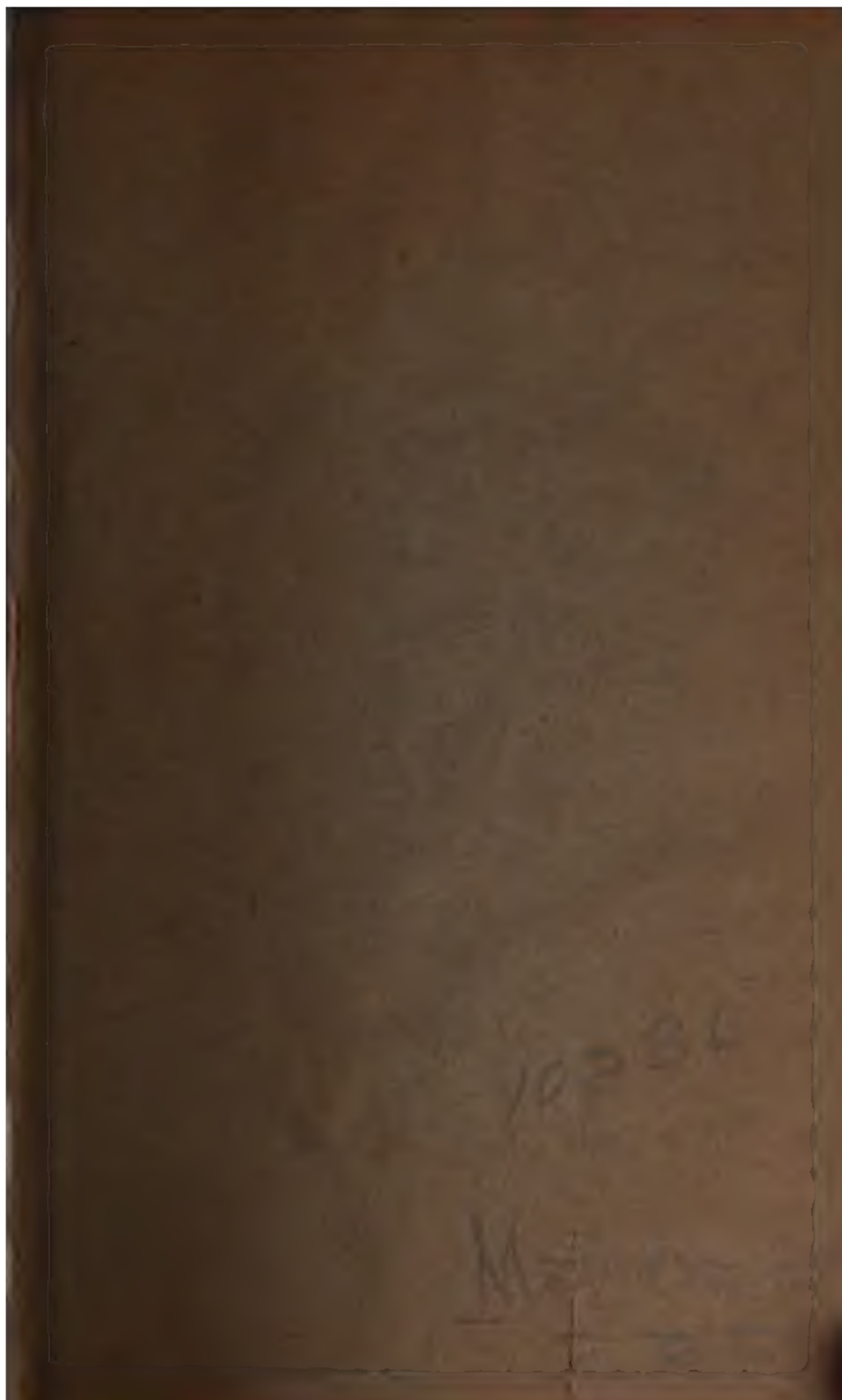
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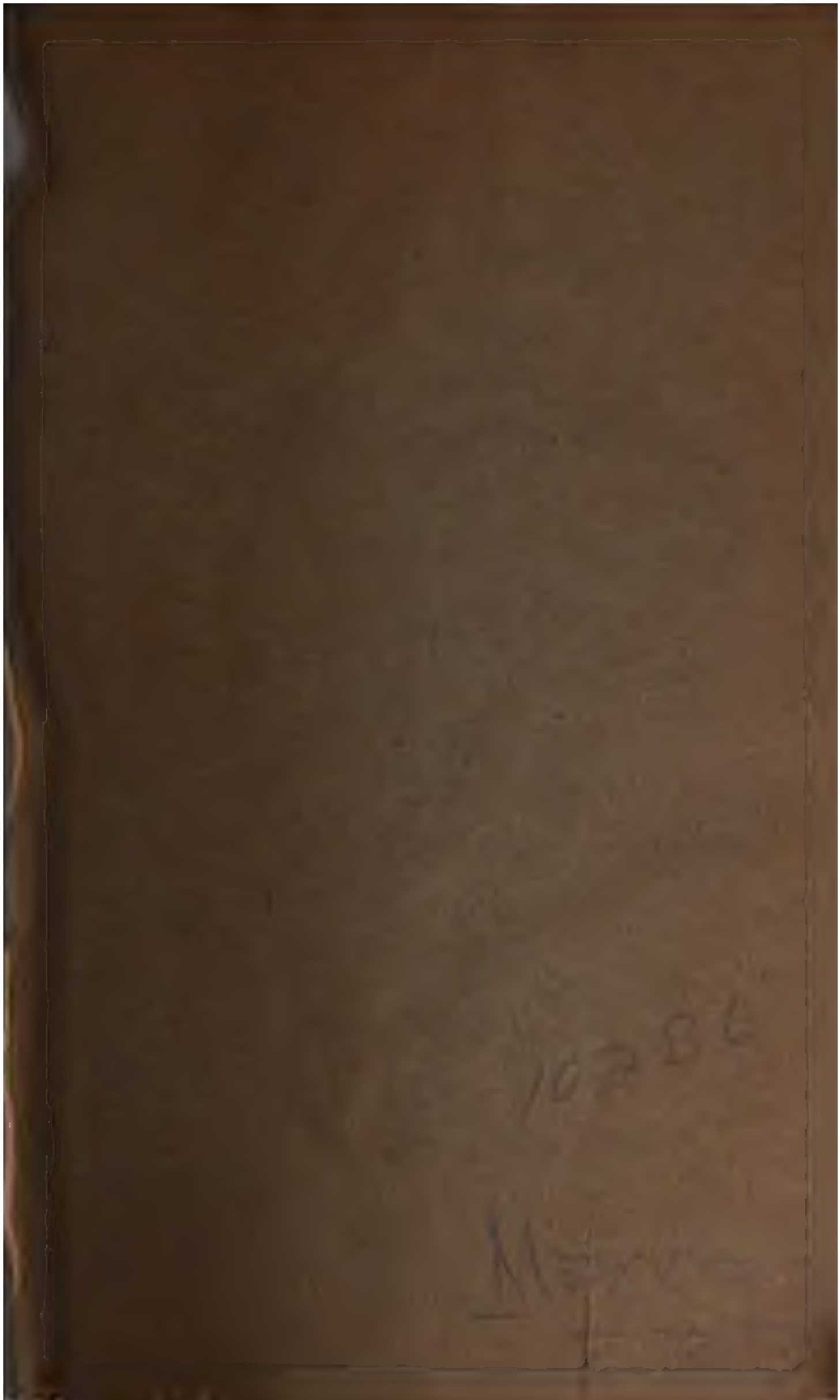
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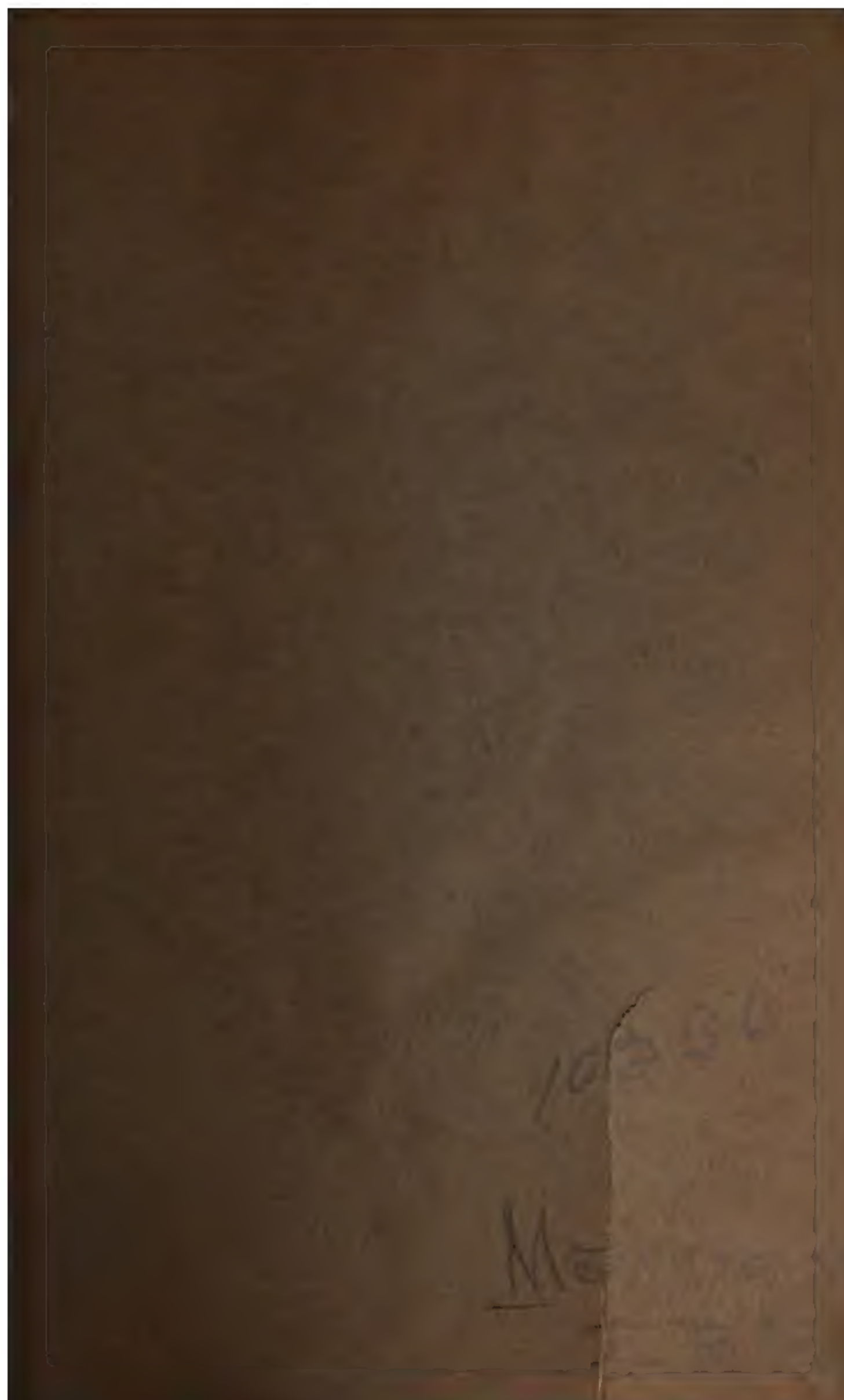
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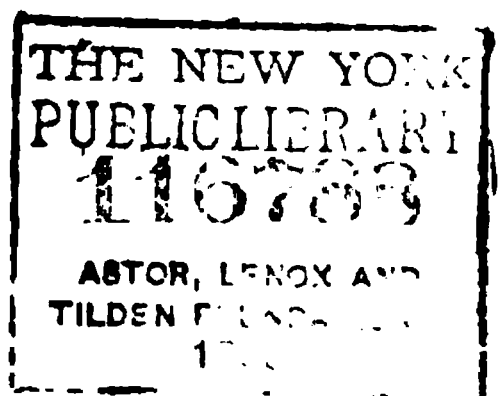
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### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.**

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**BALTIMORE, *Wednesday, May 26th*, 1841.**

**This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, a number of the clergy and laity assembled, at 11 o'clock, A. M. in St. Paul's Church.**

**The morning service was conducted by the Rev. Dr. Henshaw and the Rev. Mr. Gilliss.**

**The convention sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt.**

**The Bishop being indisposed, the communion was administered by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt and the Rev. Dr. Johns.**

**Immediately after Divine service, the Right Rev. Bishop Whittingham took the chair and called the convention to order: the names of the clergy entitled to seats at the last convention, were called over by the Secretary, the following members were present:**

**Rev. Henry Aisquith,**  
“ **James Abercrombie,**  
“ **Olcott Bulkley,**  
“ **James A. Buck,**  
“ **William F. Chesley,**  
“ **Henry Crosdale,**

**Rev. Henry S. Keppler,**  
“ **Samuel C. Kerr,**  
“ **G. L. Mackenheimer,**  
“ **James A. McKenney,**  
“ **John Owen,**  
“ **William Pinkney,**



Rev. Levin I. Gilliss,	Rev. Robert Prout,
“ R. L. Goldsborough,	“ Robert Piggot,
“ Hugh T. Harrison,	“ Joshua Peterkin,
“ William Hawley,	“ Kinsey Johns Stewart,
“ J. P. K. Henshaw,	“ Joseph Trapnell,
“ Hector Humphreys,	“ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.,
“ Orlando Hutton,	“ Henry Williams,
“ John Francis Hoff,	“ Richard H. Waters,
“ John W. Hoffman,	“ William E. Wyatt,
“ John Johns,	“ Thomas J. Wyatt. (33.)
“ Clement F. Jones,	

The lay delegates presented their testimonials and signed the declaration required by the second article of the constitution, namely:—

Mr. Samuel I. Donaldson,	Mr. Thomas S. Alexander,
“ Hugh Davey Evans,	“ James H. Watkins,
“ Robert Neilson,	“ Charles Hammond,
“ A. F. Henderson,	“ T. Watkins Ligon,
“ D. W. Middleton,	Dr. Allen Thomas,
“ J. Le Chevalier Hardy,	“ Benjamin Carr,
“ Washington Berry,	
“ Richard B. Walker,	Mr. Benjamin O. Lowndes,
“ Horatio C. Scott,	“ Grafton Tyler,
“ John Gibson,	“ John Bond,
“ David Trundle,	“ Thomas Griffith,
Dr. Frederick Dorsey,	“ Nathan Dickerson,
“ James Stewart,	“ Jacob Shlageal,
Mr. Kinsey Harrison,	“ William Gould,
“ Rowland Ellis,	“ Samuel Comegys,
	“ Phillip Lansdale.

The convention was announced to be duly organized and ready for business.

Application was made to the convention for permission to form a new parish within the limits of St. Mark's parish, Frederick county, to be called “St. Paul's parish, Frederick county.

*To the Honorable, the Convention of the  
Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland.*

GENTLEMEN :

We, the undersigned beg leave to represent to your body that we reside within the limits of St. Paul's parish, Frederick county, but so very remote from the church in the said parish that we cannot conveniently attend the church with our families, we therefore respectfully ask your body to incorporate us into a separate parish, to be called St. Paul's parish, by the metes and bounds as herewith offered, as designated and adopted by the vestry of St. Mark's parish, when in session on Monday the 24th inst., as by the certificate of the Register of said parish will more fully appear.

DANIEL DUVAL,  
DAVID KUNDLE, of OTHO,  
W. H. SMITH,  
O. THOMAS,  
THOMAS R. KING,  
A. H. YOUNG,  
JOHN HANN,  
J. C. MOFFETT,  
JAMES H. HANN.

At a meeting of the vestry of St. Mark's parish, in Frederick county, Maryland, held on the 24th day of May, 1841—the following outlines were unanimously adopted for the parish to be formed out of this parish and be known and hereafter distinguished as St. Paul's parish, Frederick county, Md., to wit: Beginning for the same at the Potomac River, east of John Barnet's farm, and running up with Poplar branch until it intersects the Public road leading from Hook's Tobacco house to Hawkins' (now Groves' mill,) then with said road until it intersects the road leading from the Point of rocks to Jefferson, then across said road between the lands of Benjamin Moffett and Nelson Luckett, to the top of the Cacoctin mountain, then with the top of said moun-

tain, until it intersects the lines of All Saints' parish, then eastwardly with the lines of said parish to Monococy river, then with said river to the mouth thereof, then up the Potomac river to the first mentioned place of beginning.

True copy. Test,

JOSEPH WEST, *Register*.

Also, for the erection at Frostburg, Alleghany county, of a new parish, within the limits of Emmanuel parish, to be called "St. Paul's church and parish at Frostburg, Alleghany county." And that the above parishes be admitted to representations in the convention as members thereof.

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Maryland.*

The undersigned Episcopalians, and believing themselves to be a majority of Episcopalians in the portion of Alleghany county, contained within the limits hereinafter described, respectfully request that that portion of Alleghany county contained within the limits of the county and west of a line drawn from the Potomac river to the Pennsylvania line along the principal summits of Dan's mountain, Piney mountain and Hozman's ridge, may be set apart from Emmanuel parish as a separate parish by the name of St. Paul's parish, and that a vote may be taken at Frostburg at some early day, agreeably to the vestry law, to determine if the persons entitled to vote will accept the division.

GEO. H. KREBS,  
GEO. S. GREENE,  
WM. RIDGELY,  
JOHN POWELL,  
JNO. PICKELL,  
WM. NEILL,  
GEO. BRUCE.

FROSTBURG, *May 21st*, 1841.

*To the Convention of the  
Protestant Episcopal Church, for the Diocese of Md.*

The petition of the undersigned, in behalf of the vestry of St. Paul's church and parish at Frostburg, Alleghany county, respectfully represents:

That they have organized and incorporated a church and chosen a Rector for the same, in conformity with the "Act to incorporate certain persons in every christian church or congregation in this State," and therefore respectfully request to be received into union with the convention and to be admitted to the rights and privileges enjoyed by parishes and other congregations of the diocese.

JOHN OWEN, *Chairman of the Vestry Meeting.*

GEO. S. GREENE, *Register of the Parish.*

The following application for admission was also made, namely :

"By order of the vestry of the Protestant Episcopal congregation of Ellicott's chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county, Maryland, the undersigned, in the name of the said vestry, respectfully request that the said congregation may be taken into union with the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocess of Maryland.

ROBERT PIGGOT, *Rector.*

BENJAMIN MULLIKIN, *Vestryman and  
Delegate appointed to the Con. of the P. E. Ch. of Md.*

J. ELLICOTT HEWES, *Register.*

The above applications were referred to a committee consisting of the Rev. Dr. Johns, Rev. Dr. Henshaw and Samuel I. Donaldson, Esq.

The Chair appointed the following committees :

*On the rights of Clergymen to seats,*

Rev. Dr. Henshaw, Rev. Mr. Pinkney, Rev. Mr. Hawley.

*On Elections of Lay Delegates,*

Doctor Stewart, Robert Neilson, Esq., T. S. Alexander, Esq.

*On Parochial Contributions,*

Rev. Mr. Mitchell, Hugh Davey Evans, Esq., D. W. Middleton, Esq.

*On Accounts.*

General Chapman, Washington Berry, Esq., Doctor Dorsey.

It was agreed to receive the Bishop's address to-morrow morning.

Adjourned until 9'clock to-morrow morning.

*Thursday, May 27th, 1841.*

The Convention met at 9 o'clock, this morning.—The morning service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, and Rev. Mr. Harris.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

The following clergymen not present yesterday, appeared this morning and took their seats, namely :

Rev. Charles C. Austin,	Rev. Richard Mitchell,
“ Thomas Billopp,	“ Henry Mason, D. D.
“ John Claxton,	“ Joseph Spencer, D. D.
“ Samuel C. Davis,	“ John Wiley,
“ R. W. Goldsborough,	“ Henry H. Bean.
“ Matthias Harris,	

The following lay delegates appeared, and signed the declaration. Their testimonials were referred to the committee on elections, reported to the house and approved; whereupon these gentlemen took their seats:

Judge Morsell,	Mr. John H. Simmons,
Mr. Joseph Nichols,	“ John Lowry,
“ William J. Ross,	“ Thomas Shriver,
“ Benjamin J. Dashiell,	“ Edwin Forman,
“ George Dent,	Gen'l J. G. Chapman,

Mr. Wm. G. Groome,  
 “ William Dimmitt,  
 “ Samuel Hambleton,  
 Gen’l James Sewall,  
 Mr. C. Grahame Brown,

Mr. Randolph Jones,  
 “ Edmund B. Addison,  
 “ William Williams,  
 “ Benjamin Mullikin.

A petition was presented praying for the admission of Christ’s church parish, Mount Savage, Alleghany county, as a member of the Convention.

*Mount Savage, Alleghany County, Md. }  
 May 22d, 1841. }*

*To the Convention of the*

*Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland. ’*

At a meeting held this day, a church was duly organised in accordance with the act of Assembly in such cases made and provided, by the election of the subscribers as Vestrymen of the same. And it becomes our duty to memorialize your honourable body, and to request that the said church be received into communion with, and recognised as a component part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland. The said church conforming to the laws, usages and worship of the said Protestant Episcopal Church. And furthermore, that the church now represent, may be distinguished and known by the name of Christ Church Parish.

LEWIS HOWELL,	}	<i>Vestrymen.</i>
ELCKANA DOGGET,		
ANDREW BRUCE,		
DAVID PERGEY,		
THOS. BOLUSS,		
BENJAMIN PERRY,		
JAS. HEIS,		
PETER ZEPHART,		

This is to certify, that the persons electing and composing the vestry of Christ church parish, constitute a large majority of those professing themselves members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and entitled by law to vote for vestrymen in that

part of Emmanuel parish which it is proposed to embrace within the bounds of the new parish aforesaid.

LEWIS HOWELL.

Referred to the committee appointed on the admission of churches.

The Rev. Henry Crosdale was appointed assistant secretary.

The Bishop's address was then read as follows :

*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :*

There is a peculiar fitness in beginning the duties of a body like this, with the remembrance of the dead. At each annual meeting the members of a diocesan convention come together to consult on matters relative wholly to provision for themselves and others for eternity, under a probability, almost amounting to certainty, that before another meeting can take place some of those present shall have exchanged the measurement of time by its recurring vicisitudes and round of duties, for the ceaseless, changeless realities which they now dimly know by faith. It is hard for the thoughtful not to put up the question, Lord, is it I? on such occasions: and surely, if he do it in the humble and trustful acquiescence in the wisdom and unfailing goodness of his heavenly father, which the blessed apostle taught, when for his work's sake he was willing to stay, though on his own account he longed to go, the natural solicitude of frail mortality may be so indulged, not only without sin, but for lasting profit.

Who among us does not feel it, more or less, when told that of the number of clergy in this diocese two years ago, *one-eighth* has been summoned away by death? Of sixty-five then enrolled upon your list, eight have gone to their everlasting home,—four within the present conventional year. Youth and old age, feebleness and vigorous health, superannuated leisure and active energy have equally given way before the inevitable blow; and with those whose work was nearly done, the inscrutable wisdom of the Lord of life and death has seen fit to call him who had but just entered on his course, and him whose well



earned good repute in the very prime of life promised the church long and eminently useful service.

*To you*, it does not become one so recently associated in your bonds of love and labor, to expatiate on the personal history or character of those whom you so much better knew. The Rev. William Duke, long a minister in the parish of St. Mary Anne, Cecil county, and the Rev. Andrew T. McCormick, for many years a resident of Washington City, within the limits of which he was the first statedly officiating clergyman, had both withdrawn from ministerial duties; for which, from age, they were no longer competent: but the Rev. James B. Noblit, late rector of All Hallows and Worcester parishes, and the Rev. George McElhiney, D. D., late rector of St. Ann's parish, Anne Arundel, were both cut off in the midst of labors, unsparing, faithful and successful. The former I knew only by report; but that had taught me to anticipate delight and comfort from his zealous co-operation in the work you have assigned me, which it was no slight privation to lose so prematurely. But for the latter, the noble-hearted, honest, upright man; the humble single-minded christian; the ardent, zealously devoted minister of the Gospel of salvation and servant of the church of his Redeemer; how shall I express the sense of bereavement with which all the diocese (for the whole diocese knew, and, for good reason, loved him,) is yet smarting? A truer soldier never bore the banner of the cross, a steadier servant never ministered in the Saviour's household. He died a martyr to his zeal, in the prosecution of the task committed to him, as agent for the collection of a fund for the support of the Episcopate, by the diocesan conventions of '39 and '40, after having gone through more than two-thirds of the whole work, with an energy, diligence and complete success in the accomplished portion, that outstripped the most sanguine anticipation of the warmest friends of the undertaking. To him, under God's blessing, Maryland will owe, what has as yet no precedent nor anything approaching to rivalry in the history of the church in these United States, a competent endowment for the mainten-

ance of her bishop, made within her own limits, by the zeal and liberality of her own sons, in a single year. No monument of perennial brass would perpetuate his memory half so effectually or so nobly. But his own parish best appreciates that memory. There, the well filled church, filled notwithstanding its dimensions, disproportioned to the slender population of the venerable city it has so long adorned; the well ordered and well taught congregation; and the parish left in a state of prosperity, spiritually and temporally, that affords the best security of a competent successor;—these best speak his praise. You knew him, brethren, and I need say no more.

In injunction with him it was my lot to begin the course of official duty, by the examination of a candidate for the Priesthood, on Saturday in Ember week, September 19th, 1840, at which Drs. McElhiney and Johns assisted. It had been matter of thankfulness to me, that a good Providence so ordered my consecration as that it might fall on the forty-eighth anniversary of that of the first, still loved and venerated bishop of the diocese, and within the Ember week. My satisfaction was increased by the presentation of an occasion for commencing my functions, in their noblest and most awfully important branch, by the ordination of a priest and a deacon, on the Sunday immediately following my own,—one of the four set apart for the purpose by the canons of the church. To those Sundays it had been, and remains, my purpose to confine my ordinations, except in cases of peculiar urgency; not so much on account of the antiquity of the regulation, which, though great, does not, it has been justly remarked, go back to the primitive age of the church; as in the belief that the special provision for prayer throughout the church on the preceding Ember days, is not to be lightly esteemed nor forfeited. Greatly as the church needs an increase of ministers, and deeply sensible as we all are how much the times call for increased spirituality, energy, zeal and faithfulness in those who do offer themselves for the work, there appears to be an obvious propriety in availing ourselves of an old and time-honored mode of

securing the united petitions of the whole church for those blessings to Him who alone *can* bestow them, and most surely *will*, if asked in faith. To you, brethren of the clergy, I make it my affectionate request that your churches may be opened, if it be but to two or three, on the Ember days at the four seasons. To the laity I look with confidence for an attendance on those occasions, to join in the humble, but most appropriate and earnest petitions provided in our Liturgy, for God's blessing on those who are to be sent out to minister among them in His name.

On the ordination Sunday, being the fourteenth after Trinity, September 20th, I ordained the Rev. James A. Buck, deacon, rector of Christ church, Calvert county, to the presbyterate, for which he was presented by the late Rev. Dr. McElhiney; and at the same time admitted Theodore Benedict Lyman, an alumnus of the General Theological Seminary and candidate for orders in the diocese of New York, to the holy order of deacons, having been requested so to do by the Bishop of New York, and having the candidate presented by the Rev. Benjamin I. Haight, a presbyter of that diocese and one of his examiners. The ordination was held in Christ church, Baltimore. The Rev. Dr. McElhiney and the Rev. William Pinkney read morning prayer. I preached, and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector, the Rev. Dr. Johns. A crowded congregation filled the beautiful and very commodious edifice, and, as I afterwards learned with pleasure, on that occasion began, what it has since continued, to conform with the general practice of the diocese to stand during the act of praising God in singing. The only two other congregations, so far as I have been able to learn, that had continued to sit, have since changed their practice; so that I may congratulate the diocese on having in this respect attained, what in many others it is very rapidly approaching, an entire and seemly uniformity in the beauty of holiness in divine worship. On the afternoon of the same Sunday, I preached in St. Andrew's church, Baltimore, Dr. McElhiney reading the service; and in the evening, preached a third time in St. Peter's church, after evening prayer by the Rev. Mr. Haight, of New York.

From the 23d of September to the 16th of October, I was absent from the diocese, being occupied in the removal of my family to this city, where, after mature deliberation, I had concluded to make my residence, as in every respect the most central and advantageous for communication with, and influence upon, every other part of my charge. During the interval of my absence, I baptised two adults in St. Mark's church, Orange, New Jersey, at the visitation of the bishop of the diocese; assisted the Bishop of New York in the Holy Communion at the opening of the convention of that diocese; preached the sermon at the ordination of a priest in St. Mary's church, Wallabout, Long Island, New York, by the bishop of the diocese, on the sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 4th; preached again, on the evening of the same day, in the church of the Epiphany, New York; preached on the following Wednesday evening, in the church of the Nativity, New York; read evening prayer at the visitation of Trinity church, Newark, New Jersey, by the bishop of the diocese, on Friday, the 9th; assisted the Bishop of New Jersey in the Holy Communion at his visitation of Grace church, Newark, on the 10th; officiated all day, Sunday the seventeenth after Trinity, October 11th, in All Saints' church, New York, the rector being absent; and preached the sermon at the consecration of St. Andrew's church, Wilmington, Delaware, by the Bishop of Pennsylvania, on Wednesday, October 15th, assisting, on the same occasion, in the administration of the Eucharist.

On the twelfth Sunday after Trinity, being St. Luke's day, I preached, morning and afternoon, in the newly erected parish church of Shrewsbury parish, Kent county. Although the day was stormy, a considerable congregation collected on both occasions, some from the distance of fourteen miles. Among them, I had the pleasure to meet the Rev. Mr. Dobb, of Bristol, Pennsylvania, who read morning prayer, and the Rev. Henry Brown, rector elect of St. Paul's parish, Queen Ann, who read service in the afternoon. The next day, October 19th, in presence of the same gentlemen, together with the Rev. Mr. Jones, of Chestertown,

and the Rev. Mr. Wiley, of St. Stephen's, Cecil county, I consecrated the church to the service of Almighty God by the name of Shrewsbury church. The Rev. Mr. Pleasants, as rector of the parish, read the deed of donation; the Rev. Mr. Jones, the letter of consecration; the Rev. Mr. Wiley, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Dobb, the morning service; I preached and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector. The day being favorable, a large concourse had assembled, and filled the very neat edifice to overflowing. All were willing to take this happy success of an enterprise once thought hardly feasible, as a favorable omen of the results to be expected throughout the decayed parishes of the Eastern Shore, when the Lord shall have opened the heart of his people to furnish them with pastors as faithful, zealous, and unwearied in well-doing, as those who have, by His blessing effected the resuscitation of Shrewsbury parish, and the re-edification of its ruined church. For the first time in many years, it is now under the charge of a pastor devoted exclusively to its care, and supported (I wish I could say adequately) by it alone.

In the evening of the same day, I preached in the parish church at Chestertown, the Rev. Mr. Pleasants reading service; and on the evening of Tuesday, the 20th, again preached in the same church, evening prayer being offered by the Rev. Mr. Kerr, of Prince George's.

On the nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 25th, I preached, morning and afternoon, in St. Paul's church, Baltimore, and in the evening at St. Peter's, in the same city.

On Saturday, the 31st, I set out on a visitation of the counties of Frederick, Washington and Alleghany, and preached in All Saint's church, Frederick, on the evening of that day.

Sunday, the twentieth after Trinity, and All Saints' day, I preached again in the same church, and administered the Lord's Supper, in which I was assisted by the rector, the Rev. Mr. Beall, and joined by the Rev. Mr. Hoff, of Georgetown, then travelling for his health. The large proportion of colored communicants on this occasion (twenty in number) furnished pleasing proof that the

rector had not forgotten that it is a distinctive characteristic of the blessed Gospel that it is "preached to the poor." After service, I proceeded with the rector to a private house, and there administered the office of the communion of the sick to an aged and infirm member of the church. In the afternoon, I preached again, and administered confirmation to *eleven* persons, *five* of whom were colored. In the evening I preached a third time, and enjoyed the society of the Rev. Messrs. Bulkley and Trapnell, who during the day had been engaged in their respective duties, but now joined Messrs. Beall and Hoff in that refreshing communion of brethren which is the best restorative for the clergyman's fatigue, and preparative for new labors.

Monday, November 2d, had been appropriated to a visit to Zion Parish, Frederick; but the Presidential election occurring on that day, it was thought best to relinquish the intention, and I devoted the time to receiving and paying visits in the town of Frederick.

Tuesday, the 3d, I visited St. Mark's parish church, Merryland manor, where I preached, confirmed seventeen persons, and administered the Lord's Supper; the Rev. Messrs. Delaplane, (the rector,) Bulkley, Phillips and Trapnell, being present. In the afternoon, a visit to the delightfully situated and well conducted female school of the Rev. Mr. Phillips, at Barleywood, afforded me the gratifying assurance that members of the church in those parts of the diocese will no longer have occasion or a pretext for sending their daughters to Romish schools, at the imminent risk or rather almost downright certainty, of having their souls endangered by the fascinations of that corrupt and ensnaring schism.

Thursday, November the 5th, being the day appointed by the church for Thanksgiving to Almighty God for the fruits of the earth and all other benefits of his merciful Providence, and none other having been appointed by the civil authority, I read morning prayer, preached an appropriate sermon, and administered the Lord's Supper, in St. John's church, Hagerstown, the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, deacon, then recently elected rector, assisting

me in the lessons and Communion. I have been surprised and grieved to learn that this day, though a positive appointment of the church, and duly observed in some parishes, is not generally so throughout the diocese. Surely "it becometh well the just to be thankful," and if the civil powers neglect their duty of grateful acknowledgment for public blessings to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, there can be no excuse for concurrence in the neglect by churchmen, whose Prayer Books so plainly admonish them of what they ought to do.

On the evening of Thanksgiving day, I preached again in the same church, the Rev. Mr. Beall, of Frederick, reading the service. Messrs. Lyman and Hoff were with us.

Friday, November the 6th, I consecrated a neat and comfortable little church at Clear-Spring, by the name of St. Andrew's church. It does much credit to the young congregation that has thus provided itself with the means of worship, and that with little assistance from abroad, and without incurring debt, as well as to the self-denying, untiring and very acceptable labors of its late rector. On this occasion, I preached. Beside Messrs. Beall, Hoff, Lyman, and Mr. Peterkin the rector, the Rev. Mr. Owen, of Lonacoming, here joined company. In the evening, I preached in the same church, and the rector baptized an adult, service being read by Messrs. Owen and Beall. The next day, Saturday the 7th, I publicly catechised the children of the congregation in the church for an hour before service, and after morning prayer by the Rev. Messrs. Crampton and Owen, preached, confirmed seven persons, and administered the Lord's Supper.

On the evening of the same day, after service by the Rev. Mr. Harris, of Cumberland, and Mr. Owen, I preached in the very neat church of St. Thomas, at Hancock. This substantial, well-finished, and comparatively spacious edifice, erected by a feeble congregation of very recent origin, is strong proof how much can be done by men who have the will, and a reproach to too many other parts of the diocese, where more ability exists without like energy. I was glad to find that the vestry had just in-



vited the Rev. Mr. Crampton, then recently ordained, to the charge of the congregation, which he assumed for the first time at my visit. He has entered on his duties with zeal and faithfulness. On the twenty-first Sunday after Trinity, November the 6th, Messrs. Owen and Harris read the morning service, and I preached, confirmed eight persons, and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector elect. In the afternoon I visited the Sunday School, taught in a commodious basement room beneath the church, and after the use of some collects, addressed the scholars. In the evening, after prayers by Messrs. Harris and Owen, I preached again. From the church we all went by request to a private house, where after the use of the office for the visitation of the sick, I confirmed a sick woman, her daughter and a female servant. They had all been candidates for confirmation, but detained from the public service by the dangerous illness of the lady. A pleasing incident grew out of this transaction, of much more interest to me than its apparent magnitude might seem to some to justify. When just leaving Hancock the next morning, I received from the sick person a kind message, with a small sum of money, designated as a "thank-offering." It was indeed the cause as well as the fruit of thankfulness, for with glad heart I received it as the widow's mite to be laid up in the treasury of the Lord for the maintenance of diocesan missions, and confidently anticipate that many a noble gift from those whose heart the Lord has touched with like thankfulness for the spiritual blessings they enjoy, shall follow on in the list of missionary contributions thus headed by "two dollars" from a widow. As yet, but one other gift bears it company, and that, too, was the unsolicited offering of the free heart of a pious woman.

On Monday evening, November the 9th, I preached in Emmanuel church, Cumberland, the Rev. Leonard H. Johns reading evening prayer, and the rector administering holy baptism to several candidates, adult and infant.

The next day, after morning prayer by Messrs. Johns and Owen, I preached, confirmed thirteen persons and administered

the Lord's Supper, in the same church. In the evening I preached to a small congregation, hastily collected, in the Methodist meeting house at Frostburg, Mr. Owen reading the service. Few as are the churchmen in this thriving and well situated village, they have gone forward, since my visit, with a most commendable and unhappily too rare zeal and promptitude, organised themselves as a congregation, purchased a property capable of conversion into a church, parsonage, school house and sexton's lodge, and made provision for the maintenance of the Rev. Mr. Owen as their rector and teacher of a parish school. A few more instances of such ready heartiness in the Lord's work as St. Paul's church, Frostburg, has exhibited, and the church in Maryland shall arise, in glory and strength, to put on her beautiful garments for the espousal of her Lord.

On Wednesday, November the 11th, I preached in the temporary chapel of St. Peter's parish, Lonaconing, after morning prayer by Mr. Owen. The suspension of the extensive works at this place had depopulated it for the time, and there was consequently a very small congregation and no Communion, none offering to partake. It was nevertheless cheering to perceive that whenever the completion of the communication with a market shall have restored the works to activity, ample provision has been made that the multitudes congregated in pursuit of worldly gain, shall not be left to contaminate each other and brutify the immortal soul as is always the case where a crowded manufacturing population is destitute of religious privileges and restraints.

In the evening of the 11th, on my return to Cumberland, I found a congregation waiting in the church, and some additional candidates ready for baptism and confirmation. After evening prayer by Messrs. Owen and Johns, during which the rector baptised an adult and two children, I preached and administered confirmation to two persons. There is much of every kind of encouragement in the condition of this parish. Prospering already, spiritually and temporally, it holds out the promise of still greater prosperity in time to come, as an abundant reward for the

exception, I have been happy to find a proper feeling on this subject, and a disposition to hear patiently and approve admonitions to masters to discharge their duty to those whom God has made subject to their will ; but it is lamentable to see how little *operative* and *practical* this feeling is, in the majority of cases. A heavy burden lies on us, my brethren, both of the clergy and of the laity, until we do more, much more, than is now done, for the servile portion of our church. I say, *of our church*, for notwithstanding their general preference of forms of worship in which their untutored but warm hearts find more excitement than in the sober majesty of our services, and in which too, perhaps, they get some slender spiritual nourishment better adapted to their capacities than we have yet generally taken the pains to provide for them, it is nevertheless notoriously their practice almost universally to seek at our hands, for their little ones, the sacrament of the new birth, and thus to enrol them among those for whom we, my brethren of the clergy, have to give an account to God. Almost everywhere I have heard of times past, when they thronged the now deserted galleries of our churches, and were glad to go up to the house of God in company with their masters according to the flesh, but brethren in the household of faith. Can those times not be restored? Doubtless, by faith, and prayer, and persevering effort, they may, and I charge you before God, as ye will answer for it at the dreadful day, that the means be not left untried. I fear a withering curse if we continue, as in too many parishes we seem to be, in cold selfishness appropriating the blessings of God's free word and ordinances to those who can pay for their enjoyment, and leave these, who are emphatically *the poor* to whom CHRIST came to preach the gospel, to perish in hunger and cold and nakedness without. By the gentle violence of patient, persevering love they must be compelled to come in, or we run the dreadful risk of hearing from the lips of Him who died for them as well as us, the blighting doom, "inasmuch as ye did it not unto the least of these, ye did it not unto me."

On Saturday, November 21st, after morning prayers by the Rev. Messrs. Claxton and Williams, I preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the rector, in the chapel of Christ church parish.

The next day, the twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, was rainy, but at St. Andrew's church, St. Mary's county, I found a considerable congregation assembled. During morning prayer, which was read by Mr. Williams, I baptized the infant child of a colored couple who had brought it in their arms, through the rain, four miles, to receive the holy sacrament in church. I afterwards preached, confirmed ten persons (seven of which were colored) and, with the assistance of the rector, Mr. Claxton, administered the Lord's Supper. On this occasion, as often since, I addressed to the congregation, at the close of the services, some remarks that seemed to me to be appropriate to the occasion, and suggested by its circumstances.

Monday, the 23d, the extreme badness of the roads occasioned the failure of my appointment at St. Mary's church, William and Mary parish. The congregation had dispersed, before (after a very unanticipated detention) we had reached the church.

On Tuesday, I proceeded to the chapel of the same parish, in company with the Rev. Mr. Mitchell (the rector) and Mr. Claxton, and there met the Rev. Mr. Hoffman, of Charles county. He read the morning prayer, and I preached, confirmed three persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist, assisted by the rector.

On Wednesday, the 25th, we proceeded to All Saints' church, King and Queen parish, where, beside Mr. Billopp, the rector, we were joined again by Mr. Buck, of Calvert. He and Mr. Hoffman read the morning service, I preached, confirmed eight persons (all of whom were of color) and with the assistance of the rector, administered the Lord's Supper.

On the morning of the next day, I officiated in another case of clinical infant baptism; in this instance, as before, administered to the child of the rector, at the parsonage. I am particular to

state these circumstances, lest by any accident a distorted knowledge of the facts might lead to the supposition that by my practice I had countenanced a violation of the salutary requisition of the church, that baptism be publicly ministered before the congregation except upon great cause and necessity. So far from it, that I cannot understand how the thing can be done with a safe conscience: and, were it not a matter of obligation, should for reasons of expediency hold myself bound to urge the administration of the sacrament in the mode prescribed. I am glad to find this ground generally taken by my brethren of the clergy, and trust that the slight difficulties sometimes pleaded in excuse for a desire of private baptism, will not long be allowed to operate as preventives of obedience to the wise prescriptions of the church by the teachable and right-minded laity of Maryland.

After the baptism, we proceeded to Christ church, Chaptico, in the same parish, which, although an old building, having been never consecrated, and having just undergone such thorough repair as to make the whole interior new, I consecrated at the request of the rector and vestry. The rector, and the Rev. Messrs. Mitchell, Davis and Buck, took parts in the service. I preached and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the rector.

On Friday, November the 27th, in the church familiarly known as the Pickawaxen, in William and Mary parish, Charles county, after morning prayer by the Rev. Mr. Mitchell, I preached, confirmed five persons and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector, the Rev. Mr. Hoffman.

The next day, we proceeded to the church near Newport, in Trinity parish, Charles county, then, as it had too long continued, vacant; but now happily provided with a pastor from whose zeal and industry we may expect a bright day of prosperity in this interesting, and even through its long destitution emphatically church-going people. The Rev. Messrs. Mitchell and Billopp read morning prayers, and the latter administered baptism to two colored infants. I preached and confirmed four persons; but the want of a pastor and the misunderstanding of notice given by

Mr. Davis, at one of the services which he, and his neighboring brethren had been in the habit of kindly rendering to the vacant parish, hindered the administration of the Holy Communion.

Sunday, the first in Advent, November 29th, in the church of the parish of All Faith, St. Mary's county, Messrs. Billopp and Hoffman read morning prayers, and I preached, confirmed sixteen persons, (two of color) and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector, Mr. Davis. The day was favorable, and the congregation, as usual in such circumstances, very large. Recent repairs have put this spacious edifice in excellent order and still further improvements, together with the erection of a comfortable parsonage near the church, are now going on.

On Monday, St. Andrew's day, I again officiated in Trinity parish, Charles county, in the church called the Oldfield church. The Rev. Messrs. Hoffman and Mitchell read morning prayer; Mr. Davis baptised a colored child; and I preached, confirmed ten persons and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by Mr. Davis. The Rev. Mr. Wilmer, of Port Tobacco parish, here joined our company.

On Tuesday, December the 1st, the Rev. Messrs. Davis and Mitchell read morning prayer in St. Paul's church, Port Tobacco parish, and I preached, confirmed five persons and administered the Holy Communion, assisted (the rector, being indisposed) by the Rev. Mr. Hoffman. After service, it afforded us much pleasure to partake of the hospitalities of our brother, once more sheltered by his own roof, in a snug building already reared, with his characteristic promptitude and energy, on the ruins of that of which he had only a few weeks previously been deprived by fire. His long and faithful labors had made him too well known at home and abroad to be destitute of sympathy in his affliction, and we rejoiced to learn that it had been not only felt but *shown*, to his no slight relief.

Wednesday, the 2d, at the house of General Chapman, I administered adult baptism to an individual in peculiar circumstances, in the presence of the clergy in my company, and the family

of Mr. Chapman. Thence we proceeded to Christ church, Port Tobacco, where we were met by the Rev. Messrs. Prout and Flower. The latter, then lately called to Durham parish, Charles county, with Mr. Mitchell, read morning prayer; I preached, confirmed four persons (all of color) and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector. The Rev. Mr. Claxton rejoined our company during service. In the afternoon, after service by him and Mr. Hoffman, I preached again.

The next day, at Durham parish church, Messrs. Prout and Davis read morning prayer, and I preached, confirmed seventeen persons, and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by Mr. Flower. A large and attentive congregation partook in the services with much apparent interest. It added to my own, that some of the persons confirmed, were reclaimed from the errors of the Romish schism.

Friday, the 4th, after parting company with Mr. Mitchell, who had most kindly brought me thus far on my way from St. Mary's in his own carriage, I proceeded, accompanied by Messrs. Davis, Flower and Hoffman, to St. John's chapel, St. John's parish, in Charles and Prince George's counties. This it had been my expectation to consecrate, but finding it unready, the ceremony was postponed. Though the day was inclement, a good congregation filled the little edifice, and after morning prayer by Messrs. Flower and Hoffman, I preached. No preparation had been made (nor indeed was practicable, in the state of the chapel at the time) for the Communion; and the candidates for confirmation were expected to convene the next day at the parish church.

But in that expectation we were sadly disappointed. A snow-storm, that began during the service on Friday, raged all that night, the next day, and the day after; and although Mr. Marshall, of Marshall Hall, after the most hospitable entertainment, sent us on through the pelting storm to Christ church, Akakeek, on Saturday, we found there no congregation. After offering up a few collects, with the four individuals whose zeal had brought them through the inclement weather, to a hardly less perilous exposure

in an old building, in bad repair, we proceeded, on our way toward St. Paul's parish, Prince George's, to the house of Mr. John H. Marbury. There we were literally snowed up, during Sunday, the second in Advent, and Monday, December the 7th. The Rev. Mr. Kerr, of St. Paul's, joined us, as by appointment, on Saturday evening, but found it impracticable to proceed toward his parish church the following morning. We held divine service, in the public form in the family, at which I officiated, and preached.

On Tuesday, the 8th, we made our way, with great difficulty, to the parish church of Broad Creek parish. The exceeding slowness of our progress delayed us beyond the hour, and on reaching the church, we found that although Mr. Van Deusen, the rector, had been there, none of the congregation, nor even the sexton, had done as much, and that, fearful of exposure while in delicate health in the open air, Mr. Van Deusen had left, after a short stay. I failed in an attempt to find him, and perceiving that it would be hopeless to expect the assemblage of congregations for several days at least, abruptly broke off my visitation, though several appointments for Prince George's and Anne Arundel counties were yet unfulfilled, and returned to Baltimore.

There I found letters asking my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., to the bishopric of Georgia, to which he had been canonically elected and recommended; and others requesting my presence on the occasion, at Savannah, as one of the assistants. The former I most cheerfully gave, with thankfulness to God that He had so mercifully provided for the extension of his church, and to that wide field assigned a workman of tried and approved ability. The latter, with regret, I found myself compelled by the needs of my own diocese and other obligations not to be set aside, to answer in the negative. Subsequently, an appointment was made for the performance of the ceremonial at Richmond, with which I engaged myself to comply by attendance there; but happily, a better arrangement offered, and on the first Sunday in Lent, February 26th, of the present year, Dr. Elliott was consecrated, in Christ church, Savannah, by



the assistant Bishop of Virginia, and the Bishops of North and South Carolina.

On the 16th of December, I was called on to discharge one of the most painful duties of my office, by the reception from the standing committee of the minutes of proceedings instituted before my consecration against the Rev. Zachariah H. Goldsmith, a presbyter of the diocese. Two of the charges made, the committee had found to be substantiated, but with mitigating circumstances, such as in their judgment, with which mine entirely accorded, made the lightest assignable degree of censure proper. Accordingly I addressed an admonitory letter to Mr. Goldsmith, in pursuance of their award.

On Friday, December the 19th, I visited Annapolis, and on the following Sunday, the fourth in Advent, being the ordination Sunday, admitted the Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, deacon, to the holy order of priests. He had been examined on the preceding day, in presence of Drs. McElhiney and Humphreys, who both assisted in the laying on of hands, the first named acting as presenter. I preached, and administered the Lord's Supper on the occasion. In the afternoon I preached again, and administered confirmation to four persons, after a preliminary charge. In the evening, after the third service which has been so long used on such occasions in several of the dioceses, and which I would take the opportunity of recommending for like use in this, Mr. Van Deusen preached.

On Monday, St. Thomas' day, I attended the examination of a portion of the senior class in St. John's College, with regret that other engagements compelled me to remain so short a time.

On Christmas Eve, I officiated at the opening of the lecture room in the basement story of the new church of the Ascension, Baltimore, reading prayer and preaching. The room was crowded with an attentive congregation, and has since been regularly occupied, and, I am told, in general well filled, for public worship, during the progress of the main building, which is expected to be complete about midsummer. It would be disgraceful to doubt

the success of an undertaking so much needed as that of the establishment of a fifth church in Baltimore, in its western part. The erection of five more would be an effort no more than commensurate with the ability of the members of our church in this city, had they the will; and the collection of congregations for them would be no hard task for men of the right stamp. With deep mortification and distress I have learned the sale of Trinity church, an edifice consecrated to God's glory in our pure form of worship, for debt! and ascertained that it has been permitted to depart from the use of our communion, placed as it is in a part of the city where, for the use of a dense population of the middle and lower class, otherwise wholly unprovided with our services, it is much wanted—for the paltry sum of \$5,000. I speak these things brethren to our shame; but they must be spoken, for they are registered in heaven against us.

On the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord, I preached in St. Paul's church, Baltimore, morning prayer being offered and the Holy Eucharist administered by the rector.

The next Sunday, December 27th, I preached in the morning in St. Peter's church; in the afternoon read prayers and preached in St. James' (African) church; and in the evening preached in Christ church, all in Baltimore.

On the Feast of the Circumcision, I preached in St. Paul's church, Baltimore.

On the second Sunday after Christmas, January 3d, I preached in the morning at St. Andrew's church, and in the afternoon at St. Paul's church, Baltimore.

The first Sunday after Epiphany, January 10th, I preached in the morning in the basement of the church of the Ascension, and in the afternoon read prayers and preached in St. James' (African) church, Baltimore.

Saturday, January 16th, I was called to Hagerstown on business that will, I trust, redound greatly to the advantage of the diocese. A few liberal members of the church in Washington county, were willing to purchase and place at my disposal the

well known delightful seat and noble mansion of Fountain Rock, about five miles from Hagerstown, provided satisfactory arrangements could be made for the establishment there of a diocesan school on the strictest principles of the church, of a high literary character, and limited to a moderate rate of charges. After the publication of the full and very able report that is spread upon the pages of your journal for 1837, it is quite unnecessary that I should enter into any statement of the reasons for engaging in such an undertaking. I did not dare refuse the opportunity that an apparently Providential coincidence laid open to me, and heartily closed with the very frank and enterprising offers of the gentlemen of Hagerstown—offers to which, I have every reason to believe, they were instigated by the timely and energetic appeals of their young rector. For some time, the provision of a suitable management for the school cost me much anxiety and many fears and perplexities. At last, by the blessing of God, they are in great measure removed, and I am able to promise, with entire confidence, that Maryland shall have at least one diocesan school inferior to none in the United States, and under government which the whole church has already learned to admire and trust. Washington county provides the noble stone edifice and twenty adjoining acres of land. Teachers are secured abundantly competent to maintain the establishment once set on foot, and extend it to any desirable limits. All that will be asked of the diocese is the furnishment of the building, when complete, with the necessary goods, chattels, and apparatus. In the present incipient stage, it is thought best to make no permanent settlement of the property, which the purchasers still hold. But as soon as all things are ready, they stand bound to deliver it to the bishop and standing committee, when duly authorised and empowered to receive it. It is as yet uncertain whether the school shall be opened in November of the present year, or May, 1842: but the last named period is the latest contemplated. More than double the number of scholars required for opening were already offered, and I almost daily receive applications on the subject.

The second Sunday after Epiphany, January 17th, at St. John's church, Hagerstown, I read service, preached and administered the Lord's Supper in the morning; in the afternoon visited the Sunday school, and addressed the scholars; and in the evening, preached again. On Tuesday, the 19th, in the evening, I preached again in the same church, after evening prayer by the Rev. Mr. Peterkin, of Clear Spring.

On Septuagesima Sunday, February the 7th, I baptised two adults, preached, and assisted the rector in the administration of the Lord's Supper, in St. Peter's church, Baltimore.

On Sexagesima Sunday, the 16th, I visited St. John's church, Queen Caroline parish, Anne Arundel county, and preached and administered the Lord's Supper.

From the 16th to the 26th of February, I was engaged in a journey to New York and Flushing, on business, connected with the establishment of the school at Fountain Rock. On the evening of the 19th, I read service and delivered a lecture in the chapel of St. Paul's College, Flushing.

On the first Sunday in Lent, February 26th, I visited St. Margaret's church, Westminster, Anne Arundel county, and preached there.

On the second Sunday in Lent, March 7th, being the ordination Sunday, in St. Paul's church, Centreville, I admitted the Rev. Henry Brown, rector of the parish, and the Rev. Frederick William Boyd, to the holy order of priests; the Rev. Dr. Henry M. Mason presenting the candidates, and, with the Rev. Clement F. Jones, assisting at the laying on of hands. On this occasion I preached, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the evening, in the same church, I preached again, and availed myself of the opportunity afforded by a large attendance of servants in the gallery, to address them on the value and use of their religious privileges.

The next day, Monday, the 8th, in the same church, I again preached, administered the Lord's Supper, and confirmed eight persons; afterwards administering, in private, under peculiar circumstances, the sacrament of baptism to two adults.

On Tuesday, the 9th, on presentation of a request and deed of donation by the rector, church-warden and vestry, I consecrated to the service of Almighty God, Christ church, Kent Island. This neat, though plain and unexpensive edifice, has been erected on the ruins, and in part out of the materials of a former building. Though outwardly completed some years since, it has only recently been plastered. The regular services here, are attended by a congregation as yet small, but increasing and bidding fair to do still more. On this occasion I preached, confirmed four persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. Beside the rector, the Rev. Messrs. Brown, of Centreville, and Boyd, of St. Paul's, Kent county, took part in the services. The peculiar neatness and commodiousness of the arrangements and furniture of this church afford ample proof how much can be accomplished with very slender means, when devotion, taste and industry unite in their employment.

On Wednesday, March 10th, I officiated in the afternoon, in St. Luke's parish, Queen Ann county, in the Methodist meeting house at Church Hill, reading prayers, preaching, and baptising one infant. Notwithstanding a very severe storm, a small congregation had collected, some from a considerable distance, and I was gratified by the presence of my brethren, the rectors of Shrewsbury and St. Paul's parishes, Kent county. After service, we visited the venerable but dilapidated edifice of St. Luke's, Church Hill. Notwithstanding the long and mournful neglect it has suffered, it is still in a condition to be repaired for a few hundred dollars. Careful inquiry has satisfied me that nothing is wanting but able and faithful missionary services, sustained from abroad for a very few years, to enable this parish again to take its rank among the members of the diocese. In superficiality, it is one of the largest, and once numbered its three chapels, all of goodly size and material, beside the now tottering parish church. Under any form, its supply of religious services is miserably scanty, and its population are well able to support a minister, once established in their confidence, and enabled to bring them to a renewed acquaintance with the principles and institutions of the church.

On Thursday, the 11th, in the parish church at Chestertown, I preached, confirmed five persons and administered the Holy Communion, in the morning; and preached again in the evening, the Rev. Messrs. Boyd and Pleasants taking parts in the service on both occasions.

On Friday, the 12th, in the parish church of Shrewsbury, after morning prayer by the Rev. Mr. Wiley, of Cecil, and the baptism of an adult by the rector, I preached, confirmed ten persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. The weather was very inclement, but had not hindered the assemblage of a large congregation.

On Saturday, the 13th, in the parish church of St. Paul's, Kent county, after morning prayer by the Rev. Mr. Jones, of Chestertown, I preached and confirmed fifteen persons; and in the evening preached again, after service by Mr. Boyd, in the church at Chestertown.

The third Sunday in Lent, March 14th, in St. Paul's; I read morning prayer, preached, confirmed four more persons, making nineteen in all, and instituted the Rev. Mr. Boyd to the rectorship of the parish. The impression on all present, so far as I could learn, confirmed my conviction of the importance and admirable use of this office of the church, and quickened my desire that it may be employed whenever a connexion between minister and people is formed, not from the outset designed to be of temporary duration. The mode of settling clergymen in this State presents no legal impediment, and the fact that several of the clergy of this diocese have been settled, by that mode, twenty years and upwards in their respective parishes, is sufficient evidence that it creates no real objection to our availing ourselves of the solemn presentation of the pastoral office, and its resulting reciprocal responsibilities and obligations, so profitably made in the institution office.

In the evening of that day, I preached again in the church at Chestertown.

The next day, Monday, the 15th, I officiated in the unfinished chapel of Shrewsbury parish, at Mopey's cross roads. The admirably built walls of this large structure, which have stood incomplete more than eighty years, are now by a vigorous effort on the part of a few zealous individuals, roofed in, and fitting up for divine service. It is truly cheering to see the desolations of the city of God thus wiped away, and the most substantial proof possible of the resuscitation of the church afforded in the faithful zeal of her children, to restore her waste places. That it shall not go unrewarded, we have the surest promises, and trusting to them, look for spiritual growth and increase in our Zion proportionate to the attention which is bestowed upon her temporal heritage.

The unfinished state of the chapel (neither door nor window being yet inserted) and the severity of the weather, did not hinder the assemblage of a good congregation, to which, after morning prayer, by the Rev. Mr. Jones, I preached, and then administered the rite of confirmation to two persons; making twelve, in all, confirmed in the parish.

Tuesday, March 16th, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Pleasants, of Shrewsbury, I visited St. Stephen's parish, Cecil county, and there preached, confirmed two persons and administered the Lord's Supper. The church was well filled, notwithstanding that a snow-storm raged without.

Through that storm, grown still worse, Mr. Wiley and I made our way, the next day, to St. Augustine's parish, Bohemia Manor. As was to be expected, a very few persons made up the congregation; and for that and other reasons, the consecration of the little wooden edifice that has been there erected near the site formerly occupied by a spacious brick church, did not take place according to appointment. Morning prayer was read by Mr. Wiley, and I preached and confirmed one person. The Rev. Mr. Bausman, of Delaware, devotes a part of his time to this parish, and was present with us. It reflects credit on his services, and on the little band to whom they are rendered, that the traveller

no longer hears the ecclesiastical name of St. Augustine only as the designation of a post-office, nor is compelled when told that the unwonted appellation marks where once stood a church, to look for the materials brought across the sea to build it, in the neighboring dwellings. Humble though it be, there is again a house of God to claim its perpetuated name; and here too, as at Church Hill, I am well assured that the undivided labors of a faithful missionary would soon build up a spiritual temple of living stones.

On Thursday, the 13th, at Trinity church, Elkton, I met the Rev. Mr. Foot, of Newark College, Delaware, who had had charge of that and the adjoining parish of St. Mary Anne, North East, since the removal of the Rev. Dr. Richard S. Mason, who had combined their care with the presidency of Newark College. Mr. Foot, also, has since removed, and the parishes are now vacant. On this occasion, though a severe storm made the congregation very small, I preached, after prayers by Mr. Foot, and administered the Lord's Supper.

The next day, Friday, I preached in St. Mary Anne's church, North East, after morning prayer by the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, of Havre-de-Grace, and administered the Lord's Supper. This is another instance of restoration of a decayed church, and, though some further repairs are still needed (which I have assurance will be made, before long) affords a pleasing earnest of the time when the scores yet lying deserted should be re-occupied. That they shall be filled, too, I do not doubt; although in many places, as at North East in particular, it must be the fruit of much uphill work.

On the evening of the same day, in St. John's church, Havre-de-Grace, after evening prayer and the baptism of four adults by the rector, I preached, and confirmed five persons (one of color) this being the second administration of the rite in this congregation within five months.

Saturday, March 20th, in Christ church, Rock Spring, Harford county, after morning prayer by Mr. Goldsborough, I preached



and administered the Lord's Supper, to a large congregation, notwithstanding the extreme badness of the roads.

The 21st, Sunday, the fourth in Lent, I preached and administered the Lord's Supper in St. John's church (sometimes known as Day's church) St. John's parish, Baltimore and Harford counties. I was glad to find the unsightly cross-beams for which this little, but substantial edifice had obtained an undesirable celebrity, removed. Here, too, as at Christ church, and perhaps a dozen other churches within the diocese, temporary robing-rooms have been recently put up, by the simple contrivance of inclosure made by hangings. The mention of such things, I know, sounds small; but they are not so, in their results. The minutest arrangements that add to the decency, order, solemnity and significance of divine worship are worthy of our attention; and their neglect is, if not the worst, yet a sure sign of decay in the vitality of the church.

On Monday, the 22d, having been accompanied by Mr. Keech to Trinity chapel, St. James' parish, Baltimore county, I there preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Lord's Supper.

The next day, assisted by Mr. Holmead the rector, I officiated in the parish church of St. James, preaching and administering the Holy Communion. This fine old church, when put in complete repair (which I am told it shall be, ere long,) will be the pride of the diocese, as a country church. It retains the crucial form, once so common in our churches, but now, so far as I know, preserved entire only in one other, and that of much smaller dimensions. The best of the matter is, that St. James', large as it is, is, as I am told, not unseldom filled by a proportionate congregation. Hard rains, at my visit, hindered me from seeing it under such favorable circumstances, and kept away the expected candidates for confirmation.

On Wednesday, the 24th, I read prayers, preached, confirmed ten persons, and administered the Lord's Supper, in Sherwood chapel, Baltimore county. The labors of the new rector of this

parish, Mr. Worthington, have been blessed with much success, and his prospects both here, and in the adjoining parish of St. John's, which he has taken under his care, at my request, until it may be able to go alone, are very encouraging.

On the sixth Sunday in Lent, April the 4th, I preached and administered the rite of confirmation to fifty-two persons, in St. Paul's church, Baltimore. In the same church, on the Wednesday before Easter, I read morning prayer; on Good Friday, preached; and on Easter Eve, baptised an adult.

On Easter day, I preached in Christ church, Baltimore, and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector. In the evening, I read prayer in the same church, the Bishop of Tennessee favoring the united congregations of St. Paul's, Christ church, and St. Peter's with an admirable sermon on the importance of christian education, especially of females.

On Tuesday in Easter week, April 13th, I set out on a visitation of the lower counties of the Eastern Shore, begun, the same evening, by preaching in Christ church, Cambridge, after evening prayer by the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, of Harford.

On the 14th, I accompanied the Rev. Mr. Bayne to his parish church at Church Creek, Dorchester parish, but after encountering many difficulties in reaching it, we found that the unusually high tide and flooded state of the country precluded the attendance of a congregation. That venerable building greatly needs the completion of the repairs begun a few years ago, and still more, the provision of a missionary to fill it with a congregation. Situated in the midst of a dense population of more the fifteen hundred souls, and a population of the kind that is generally found best to combine willingness with ability to support the ministration of the gospel, this old church is rendered almost useless for want of a resident minister. No small zeal is required to carry its present rector forty miles from home, across two ferries, broad and sometimes perilous, to supply his churches, without the receipt of even his expenses on his journeyings, at any time; but in the winter season it is absolutely impossible for him to supply

them, and churches left empty four or six months in the year, and irregularly supplied the rest, can never gather regular and thriving congregations. Surely, my brethren, it is our duty to provide a remedy for this evil, and by the maintenance of a missionary, in whole or in part, for a year or two, afford one of the oldest parishes in the state an opportunity to recongregate its scattered flocks, and form itself as I am confident it might, into a compact self-supporting body.

From Church Creek, I went on, to Taylor's Island, where, that evening, under the hospitable roof of Mr. Levin Keene, I administered holy baptism to two colored infants. At the chapel on this Island, which its few occupants have recently had neatly plastered, I read morning prayer, preached, confirmed two persons and administered the Lord's Supper to five participants, on Thursday, the 15th. No function peculiar to the episcopate, it is believed, had ever before been performed on this Island.

The same evening on my return to Cambridge, after prayers by the Rev. Mr. Bayley, I preached in Christ church to a very large congregation.

The next day, Friday, April 15th, Mr. Bayley again read prayer in the same church, and I preached, and confirmed five persons. In the evening, Mr. Bayley read prayers and I preached again.

Saturday, the 17th, in company with the Rev. Messrs. Bayley, Bayne and McKenney, I visited Newmarket, and preached, after morning prayer by Mr. Bayley, who is rector of the parish, in a school-house, to a small congregation, rain having prevented a general attendance. Here we ought to have a church. The ground has been given, for its erection, and a subscription in part made; but the services of a resident clergyman are needed to infuse zeal and energy into the handful of church people who must exert both, in no small measure, to go through with the work, when undertaken. The present minister is able only to visit them on alternate Sundays, and being confined by the duties of his calling to another place, cannot render the faithful and efficient service which he is otherwise abundantly able and willing to afford.

The Sunday after Easter, April 18th, in Christ church, Cambridge, I read morning prayer and the litany, according to the custom of the parish, at half-past eight, and at eleven preached and administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the rector. In the afternoon, I read evening prayer, and catechised the children; and in the evening, after the third service by Mr. McKenney, preached again.

This day, having on that preceding received the proclamation of the President of the United States, recommending the observance of Friday before Ascension day, May 14th, as a National Fast on account of the decease of the late President, I issued a Pastoral Letter to the diocese, enjoining a compliance with the recommendation, and setting forth a form of prayer for the occasion, conformably with the provision of the 47th canon of the General Convention.

Monday, April 19th, in company with the Rev. Mr. McKenney, I had a melancholy pleasure in visiting the ruins of the church at Vienna, of which the roof and south side had fallen in, this spring. The site is beautiful, and there are those living, who can remember when the church, then rightfully considered equally so, was the thronged resort of regularly assembled congregations. Now, strange to tell, there are *no Sunday services* of any sort in a village numbering a population of four or five hundred, and with a surrounding country very far from thinly peopled. A few staunch adherents to the church of their forefathers yet remain—one, in particular, of whom many of “the brethren” have to bear witness, with me, that he has been wont to “bring them forward on their journey after a godly sort.” These would form a valuable nucleus for the resuscitation of the congregation; but they *must* be helped from abroad, both in the support of a minister and in the rebuilding of their church, which might be done to advantage out of the excellent materials already on the spot. Surely, brethren, as one body, we are bound to help this suffering member, and shall not stand guiltless before God if it be left to perish!—In the Methodist meeting house where a week-day even-

ing service is wont to be held, the Rev. Mr. Stewart of Spring Hill parish, read morning prayer, and I preached, to a goodly number of attendants.

The next day, Tuesday, the 20th, in the parish church of Spring Hill, a large edifice in excellent condition, and usually attended by as large a congregation, the Rev. Mr. Crosdale of Somerset parish, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Abercrombie, read the morning service, and I preached and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector. In the evening at the chapel in Salisbury, Mr. Crosdale read service, and I preached. The congregation, though it rained heavily, was large.

Wednesday, the 21st, in the Stepney parish church, at Greenhill, which unfortunately, in its rotten window frames, broken windows, leaky roof and damp condition, furnishes too many proofs of its great age, Mr. Crosdale read morning prayer, and I preached. The congregation was very small, and though we were prepared for the administration of the Holy Eucharist, the dampness of the building and a doubt whether there were any lay participants present, prevented its administration.

That afternoon, in St. Mary's church, Pyaskin, in the same parish, Mr. Abercrombie read evening prayer, and I preached. The chapel, though consecrated, is as yet unfinished; but I am assured, shall not long remain so. Its neat appearance at the visitation, did honor to the cleanliness and taste of the congregation.

That evening, at Princess Ann, our company was increased by the accession of the Rev. Mr. Clark, of Worcester county, and the Rev. Mr. Jackson, of Northampton in the Virginian part of the shore, whose brotherly kindness had brought him a journey of seventy miles to greet his brethren, and help to make them glad in their goings to the house of God. Such meetings, I humbly conceive, are no small part of the benefit of a visitation. The clergy, so much of their time isolated centres of spheres of influence dependent mainly on them for tone and elevation, stand in need of the sweet counsel they may take on such occasions, and

the advantages of joint devotion and reciprocal exhortation, to elevate their own devotion, quicken their own zeal, and animate their too often depressed and wearied spirits.

The next morning, Thursday the 22d, in the parish church of Somerset, at Princess Ann, morning prayers were read by the Rev. Messrs. Stewart and Jackson, an adult baptised by the rector, and I preached, confirmed sixteen persons and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon, I preached and confirmed one person at the Monir chapel, and in the evening preached again at Princess Ann.

On Friday, the 23d, in Rehoboth church, Coventry parish, after morning prayer by Mr. Clark, I preached, confirmed eight persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, in the Annimersik chapel, Mr. Clark again read prayer, and I preached. Both the church and chapel sadly need repair.

Saturday morning, the 24th, we officiated in another chapel of that widely extended parish, at Dividing Creek. Mr. Clark, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Robins, of Snowhill, who here met us, read morning prayer, and I preached, confirmed four persons and administered the Lord's Supper. The same evening, in All Hallow's church, Snowhill, I preached again.

The second Sunday after Easter, being St. Mark's day, I preached, confirmed four persons and administered the Holy Communion in All Hallow's church. The congregation was very large, quite filling the spacious and neat house of prayer. In the afternoon, I preached again, and in the evening, a third time. The badness of the roads, which would have hindered the assemblage of a congregation, prevented my visiting St. John's chapel, where the Rev. Mr. Robins, who gratuitously serves as assistant minister of the parish, officiates during a part of his time. I have reason to hope that in addition to his services, the parish will ere long find itself able to secure the undivided attention of a resident minister.

Monday, April 26th, I proceeded to Worcester parish, and in St. Paul's church, Berlin, after morning prayer by the Rev. Mr.

Robins, preached, confirmed eighteen persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon, I preached again; and in the evening a third time, having after the dismissal of the white congregation an opportunity of addressing myself especially to the very numerous assemblage of colored people in the servants' gallery.

Tuesday, the 27th, service was held in the old parish church of St. Martin, which is to be repaired this summer, and re-occupied for stated worship. On this occasion, notwithstanding its dilapidation, the venerable edifice once more resounded to the praises of God, not only sung, but in the noble strains of our chants, which the congregation at Berlin has learned to perform excellently, without the aid of an organ; and the beauty of holiness in the christian sacrifice, offered with all its seemly appertences, contrasted strangely with the broken walls, and the sighing of the winds in the unclosed doors and windows. Mr. Stewart, of Springhill, read morning prayer, and I preached, and administered the communion. That evening, at Salisbury, I was too unwell to go out; but Mr. Stewart and Mr. Clark held service, and delivered lectures preparatory to the solemnities of the ensuing day.

On Wednesday, the 28th, in Salisbury chapel, after morning prayer by Mr. Clark, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon the children of the congregation were catechised by the rector and myself, a few of the adults being present. In the evening, after service by Mr. Clark, I preached. Notice having been given of my intention to speak to the colored people, a very large number were present, and I addressed them after the dismissal of the white congregation.

On Thursday, the 29th, I officiated again in the Methodist meeting house at Vienna, reading prayers and preaching. Messrs. Stewart and McKenny were with me.

On Friday evening, April 30th, I read prayers and preached in Christ church, Cambridge, thus terminating my visit to the lower

counties of the Eastern Shore—a visit, in which, notwithstanding a constant succession of unfavorable weather, I had seen and heard enough very greatly to cheer me with anticipations of future prosperity for this little cultivated portion of our vineyard. There is not only room, but pressing need for four or five more clergymen within its limits, and were men of the right kind once settled there, they would speedily find the will and ability to support them developed in the people.

On Friday, May 7th, I set out to complete the visitation of the Eastern Shore, by that of Talbot county. On my way, at Annapolis, I took on myself the responsibility of requesting the Rev. Mr. Claxton, of St. Mary's county, to go on with the collection of subscriptions to the Episcopal Fund, left in suspense by the untimely decease of Dr. McElhiney; which he kindly promised to undertake. The propriety of advancing this business as much as possible, before the meeting of the Convention, and the impossibility of procuring a regular appointment of a substitute for the deceased, in the short interval then left, were my reasons for taking upon me to do what no regular action of the diocese had empowered me to undertake. I submit the procedure to the wisdom of the Convention.

On Saturday, the fourth after Easter, May 9th, in St. Peter's church, Whitemarsh, after morning prayer by the Rev. Dr. Spencer, I preached, confirmed four persons, and administered the Lord's Supper, assisted by the rector. In the afternoon, at Christ church, Easton, Dr. Spencer read evening prayer and I preached. In the evening, in the same church, after the third service, I preached again, and confirmed three persons. In this parish, the congregation at Easton are setting an example to the diocese by the erection, while they still occupy the old church, of a beautiful edifice, so constructed, and of such materials, that their present expenditure may be regarded as a permanent provision for many generations. It is lamentable to see, in many instances, successive expenditures in the erection or repair of buildings so little durable, that one or at most two generations shall outlive



them, and be left destitute as at first. It is a heartless work thus again and again to leave the same efforts to make, always accomplished with difficulty, and too often affording an excuse, reasonable or not, for withholding the support of a minister; so that while at one time, a decayed church cripples the energies of the clergyman, by deterring the people from God's service; at another, a new erection exhausts the abilities of the congregation, and leaves them destitute of the means of sustaining the ministrations for which it was provided. How much better, when about it, to do the work once for all, and perpetuate, as far as in us lies, our offering to the Glory of God, and provision for the salvation of souls!

On this principle, with most praiseworthy zeal and energy, the small congregation in St. Michael's parish, of St. John's chapel, Miles River Ferry, has also proceeded in the erection of its beautiful stone church, which for accuracy of taste and neatness of finish has, in my judgment, no equal in the diocese. There, on Monday, May the 10th, after morning prayer by Dr. Mason, I preached and administered the Lord's Supper, with the assistance of the rector. That evening, at "Hope" the seat of Mrs. Robert Tilghman, I administered baptism to a colored infant, addressing the assembled family, before and after the office, on its nature and obligations.

The next day, in the parish church of St. Michael's, after morning prayer by Dr. Mason, I preached, and administered the Lord's Supper.

On my return, Wednesday the 12th, I stopped at Annapolis, to enjoy the melancholy gratification of mingling sorrow with the bereaved flock and family of Dr. McElhiney. In the evening I held service in St. Ann's church, and delivered an exhortation on the occasion to a crowded congregation.

Friday, May the 14th, being the day of fasting and humiliation recommended by the President of the United States, I attended at St. John's church, Washington, by previous invitation of the rector and vestry, and after morning prayer by the rector,

preached an appropriate sermon. The delivery was repeated in the afternoon, by request, in St. John's church, Georgetown, after prayers by the rector. On this occasion, I had the high gratification of meeting a number of my brethren in the ministry resident, permanently or transiently in the District.

The fifth Sunday after Easter, May 16th, I visited Christ church, Caroline parish, Anne Arundel county, preached there, confirmed fourteen persons and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon, in the school room at the Laurel Factory, where Mr. Waters, the rector of the parish, holds services on alternate Sunday afternoons, Mr. Harrison, of St. John's, Elkridge, read evening prayer, and I preached.

On Ascension day, the 20th, in St. Paul's church, Baltimore, I preached, and administered confirmation (for the second time within two months) to forty-three persons; making ninety-five, in all, confirmed in this parish.

And, finally, last Sunday, in St. Thomas' church, Baltimore county, I preached, confirmed eleven persons, and took part in the administration of the Lord's Supper. To this service, rendered when laboring under severe hoarseness from a cold, I owe, under God's gracious dispensation, the total loss of voice which compels me to be indebted to another for communicating to you this address.

The sum of services rendered is as follows:

Consecrated *four* churches.

Ordained *one* deacon, and *four* priests.

Instituted *one* rector.

Confirmed, at 49 times, 446 persons.

Administered the Lord's Supper, 55 times.

Baptised 8 infants and 6 adults.

Preached, out of the diocese 7 times; within, 140 times, in 88 places of worship.

Travelled, about 2,900 miles, on diocesan duty.

The great length to which this report has unwittingly been extended, and the frequency with which I have indulged in remarks

suggested by its items, preclude the addition of some general observations which it was my purpose here to append, but now reserved for a future opportunity, should such be granted me. It is not my intention to inflict upon future conventions, if spared to address any, such particularity of detail as has now been given. Once for all this may serve as a specimen of the labors in which it will be my delight, as God shall give me ability, to serve those who have imposed on me the burden of their oversight. Humbly and most earnestly I intreat their prayers that I may have grace both to know and to do that which appertaineth to my office, and that God of His infinite mercy would be pleased to overrule and bless my poor efforts to the advancement of His glory in the accomplishment of the ends of the Redeemer's mission.

The present candidates for Holy Orders in the diocese are, Jeremiah M. Rhodes; Martin L. Rogers; Eli Stokes, (a colored man); William J. Rooker; John H. Chew; John Crosdale; John H. Bosley; Samuel J. Evans; Samuel R. Gordon; Charles Tucker; John N. McJilton; John Keller; George H. Leakin; and Alexander S. Berger—in all fourteen: of whom Messrs. Chew, Crosdale, Evans and Gordon, are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary, and Messrs. Rooker, Bosley, Leakin and Berger in that at Alexandria. In that Seminary there are other gentlemen, natives and civilly residents of this diocese, preparing for the sacred ministry; but having become candidates for orders in Virginia, they are not now within my jurisdiction.

Beside the changes in the clergy of the diocese by death, already noticed, the following have taken place. The Rev. Thomas H. Quinan, has been dismissed to the diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. John P. Robinson, to that of Massachusetts; and the Rev. Upton Beall, to that of Virginia. The Rev. Theodore B. Lyman has been received from the diocese of New York; the Rev. William James Clark and the Rev. Henry Brown, from that of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Frederick William Boyd, from the Eastern diocese; the Rev. L. W. Crampton and the Rev.

Thomas B. Flower, from that of Virginia; and the Rev. Clement M. Butler, from that of Western New York. Mr. Lyman is settled as rector of St. John's parish, Washington county; Mr. Clark as rector of All Hallow's and Worcester parishes, Worcester county; Mr. Brown as rector of St. Paul's parish, Queen Ann's county; Mr. Boyd as rector of St. Paul's parish, Kent county; Mr. Crampton as rector of St. Thomas' church, Hancock; Mr. Flower, as rector of Durham parish, Charles county; and Mr. Butler, as assistant minister of Christ church, and city missionary, in Baltimore. The Rev. John Alberger, and the Rev. James C. Wheat, not included in the list of clergy published with the last Journal, still belong, so far as I know, to the clergy of this diocese; making the present number, after three removals and four deaths, 75.

The following changes have taken place within the diocese: The Rev. James Abercrombie has relinquished the assistant ministership of Somerset and Coventry parishes, Somerset county, and accepted a call to the rectorship of Trinity parish, Charles county; the Rev. John Delaplane, has resigned St. Thomas' church, Hancock, and accepted the charge of St. Marks' parish, Frederick county; the Rev. Zechariah H. Goldsmith has resigned the charge of Spring Hill and Stepney parishes, Somerset county, and is residing in Charles county; the Rev. Leonard H. Johns has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's, Sharpsburg, which is now served by the Rev. Mr. Morrison, of Virginia, on alternate Sundays, and confines himself to the charge of the Academy in Cumberland; the Rev. John Owen has resigned St. Peter's parish, Alleghany county, and accepted the rectorship of the newly organised parish of St. Paul's church, Frostburg; the Rev. Joshua Peterkin has resigned the charge of St. Andrew's church, Clearspring, and accepted that of All Saint's parish, Frederick county; the Rev. Richard H. Phillips has resigned the rectorship of St. Mark's parish, Frederick county, on account of ill health, and has established a female school, on church principles, at Barleywood, near Peterville, Frederick county; the

Rev. Robert Prout has resigned the rectorship of Durham parish, Charles county, and accepted the charge of a new parish, by the name of St. Paul's, formed by separation from the upper part of the very large parish of Christ church, Calvert county; and the Rev. Kensey J. Stewart has relinquished Rock Creek parish, District of Columbia, and accepted a call to the joint charge of Spring Hill and Stepney parishes, Somerset county.

There are in the diocese 58 parishes and 20 incorporated congregations; in all 78 churches, having 106 places of worship.

Of these, I have visited about seven-tenths, and obtained from nearly all, returns of the heads of families, communicants, and candidates for confirmation, by name. Thirty-seven only of these are complete. They comprise 311 persons confirmed; 1706 communicants; and 1662 heads of families. None of the churches in Baltimore are included in this number.

Such, brethren, are the statistics of the church in this diocese, and the history of its changes, so far as I am informed concerning them. On the incomparably more important question of its spiritual state, my acquaintance with you is too recent and too slight, as yet, to qualify me to pass judgment. All that I have yet learned tends, on the whole to encouragement. The spirit of the LORD, I humbly trust, is with us, sowing seeds of faith and love that shall bring forth fruit more and more abundantly to the praise of His great Name, in every part of our borders. Without exception, the parishes I have visited seem to be growing, more or less apparently, and with varying degree of vigor, but every where *in some* degree, growing, in faith and holiness. May HE who only can, stir up us who are put in trust with the word of life, to renewed faithfulness and zeal in dispensing it, and quicken you, brethren of the laity, to a sense of the nothingness of all other pursuits and ends, compared with that of the salvation of souls, for which CHRIST died! Amen!

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland.*

BALTIMORE, *May 25, 1841.*

Mr. Alexander laid before the convention a copy of an Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its last session, entitled, "an act to incorporate the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Maryland," for the purposes therein mentioned, which was read, and thereupon on motion, the said act was referred to a committee consisting of the Rev. Drs. Wyatt and Henshaw, and Messrs. Donaldson, Sewall and Alexander, with authority to report thereon.

*[See Appendix for copy of the Act.]*

The committee on elections made their report, stating that the certificates referred to them were correct excepting four, which were irregular; but recommend that the members presenting these certificates be admitted to seats. This report with the recommendation was accepted.

The committee on the rights of clergymen to seats in this convention, report the following list of clergymen as having canonical residence in the diocese of Maryland, and entitled to seats in the convention thereof:

Rev. Walter D. Addison,  
 " Henry Aisquith,  
 " Charles C. Austin,  
 " James Abercrombie;  
 " Thomas Bayne,  
 " Henry H. Bean,  
 " Thomas Billopp;  
 " Olcott Bulkley,  
 " Henry Brown,  
 " Enoch Bayley,  
 " James A. Buck,  
 " William F. Chesley,  
 " John Claxton,  
 " Henry Crosdale,  
 " John Delaplane,  
 " Samuel C. Davis,

Rev. Norris M. Jones,  
 " John R. Keech,  
 " Henry S. Keppler,  
 " Samuel C. Kerr,  
 " Theodore B. Lyman,  
 " George L. Mackenheimer,  
 " Henry M. Mason, D. D.,  
 " James A. McKenney,  
 " Alexander M. Marbury,  
 " Richard Mitchell,  
 " Henry Major,  
 " William Pinkney,  
 " Richard H. Phillips,  
 " Francis Peck,  
 " Robert Piggot,  
 " Joshua Peterkin,

Rev. Thomas B. Flower,

- “ Levin I. Gilliss,
- “ Robert W. Goldsborough,
- “ Robt. Lloyd Goldsborough,
- “ J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D.,
- “ William Hawley,
- “ Matthias Harris,
- “ Hugh T. Harrison,
- “ Alfred Holmead,
- “ Hector Humphreys, D. D.,
- “ Orlando Hutton,
- “ John W. Hoffman,
- “ John Francis Hoff,
- “ John Johns, D. D.,
- “ Leonard H. Johns,
- “ Clement F. Jones,

Rev. Charles E. Pleasants,

- “ John P. Robins,
- “ Purnell F. Smith,
- “ Joseph Spencer, D. D.,
- “ K. Johns Stewart,
- “ Horace Stringfellow,
- “ Joseph Trapnell,
- “ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.,
- “ Edwin M. Van Deusen,
- “ Richard Henry Waters,
- “ John Wiley,
- “ Lemuel Wilmer,
- “ Henry Williams,
- “ William E. Wyatt, D. D.,
- “ Thos. James Wyatt.—63.

The committee upon the rights of clergymen to seats in the convention recommend, that the Rev. John Owen, of whose election as rector of St. Paul's parish, Frostburg, they are satisfactorily informed, although he has not presented the certificate of it required by the 30th canon of the General Convention, be admitted to a seat in this convention.

The foregoing report was accepted.

A bill presented by Joseph Robinson for printing, amounting to thirty-nine dollars and five cents, was ordered to be paid by the treasurer.

The committee on the canons asked leave to be continued, which was granted, and it was on motion,

*Resolved*, That the Right Rev. Bishop of the diocese be the chairman of this committee.

The committee to whom were referred petitions from the Protestant Episcopal congregation of Ellicott's chapel, at Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county, from a portion of the parishioners of Emanuel parish, Alleghany county, and from a part of the parishioners of St. Marks' parish, Frederick county, praying to

be received under their respective organizations, into union with this convention, report, that it appears from the documents submitted that in each of these cases, the steps prescribed by the laws of this State, and the constitution and canons of the church, have been taken; and therefore recommend for the adoption of this convention the following resolutions and act:

1st. *Resolved*, That the congregation at Ellicott's chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county, be received into union with the convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maryland.

2d. *Resolved*, That the congregation of St. Paul's church, within the limits of Emanuel parish, Alleghany county, be received into union with the convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maryland.

3d. *Resolved*, That the memorialists from Mount Savage, have leave to organize as an independent congregation, and that on their complying with the provisions of the act of 1802 and supplements, they be received into union with the convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maryland.

The committee also recommend, that the following act for the division of St. Mark's parish, Frederick county, be adopted.

*Act, for the Division of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick County.*

WHEREAS, certain members of the Protestant Episcopal church residing in St. Mark's parish in Frederick county, have with the consent of the vestry of said parish, applied for a division thereof, and the incorporation of a separate parish. Be it therefore enacted, by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, that a separate parish, by the name of St. Paul's parish, in Frederick county, be, and the same is hereby created within the following limits:—Beginning for the same, at the Potomac river, east of John Barnet's farm, and running up with Poplar branch until it intersects the public road leading from Hook's Tobacco house to Hawkins' (now Groves') mill, then with said road until it intersects the road leading from the Point of Rocks



to Jefferson, then across the said road, between the lands of Benjamin Moffet and Nelson Lucket, to the top of the Catoctin mountain until it intersects the line of All Saint's parish, then eastwardly with the lines of said parish to the Monocacy river, then with said river to the mouth thereof, then up the Potomac river to the first mentioned place of beginning. And that the parish hereby created shall be hereafter entitled to all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the several parishes in the diocese of Maryland.

This report was accepted, and the resolutions numbered 1, 2 and 3, together with the act recited above, were adopted by the convention.

A motion to adjourn until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning was agreed to, and the convention adjourned accordingly.

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*Friday, May 28th, 1841.*

The convention met at 9 o'clock this morning, pursuant to adjournment.

The morning service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. McKenney and Rev. Mr. Pinkney.

The roll was called and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read, amended and approved.

Mr. A. F. Henderson, Mr. William Woodward and Mr. Daniel Duvall, lay delegates, presented their testimonials, which being approved, they signed the declaration and took their seats as members.

The following resolution was submitted, *Resolved*, that the regulation imposing an assessment upon the several parishes for the support of the bishop has never been repealed, and that in the opinion of this convention, no parish is discharged from the payment thereof, in consideration of the voluntary subscription of any of its members to the fund for the temporary support of the bishop, which the convention regard as being merely in aid of

that assessment. The following amendment was offered, “unless such parish shall have paid as interest on the subscription to the permanent fund a sum equal to, or greater in amount, than the assessment on such parish for the support of the bishop.”

A substitute for the foregoing resolution and amendment was offered, but not being accepted by the mover of said resolution, was submitted to the action of the convention, approved and passed, as follows:—

*Resolved*, That every parish and congregation from which shall have been received for the support of the bishop during the year 1840, a greater sum than the sum to which such parish or congregation shall have been assessed under the rules and resolutions of the convention be, and it is hereby released from the payment of such assessment; and that every parish and congregation from the members whereof a subscription shall have been received for the permanent fund for support of the Episcopate, the interest on which shall exceed the assessment required of such parish or convention shall be, and hereby is released entirely from all future payments of such assessment.

*Resolved*, That such of the clergy in attendance upon the sittings of the convention who do not belong to this diocese, be, and they are hereby invited to honorary seats.

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this convention, the resolution of May, 1839, relieves the missionary stations from all dues to that time.

*Resolved*, That the committee on parochial contributions be directed to report, whether the interest of sums raised in Spring Hill and other parishes, in 1833, for a bishop's fund, should release such parishes from further taxation.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That at half-past 12 o'clock, the convention go into the election of delegates to the general convention, and immediately afterwards, into the election for standing committee, and also for trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

*Report of the Committee on the Episcopal Fund.*

The committee to which was referred the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, relating to the Episcopal Fund, respectfully report, that in the view of your committee, it is expedient on the part of this convention, to accept the act and file with the executive of the State the notice of acceptance required thereby ; the form of which acceptance accompanies this report.

Your committee also recommend, that six trustees to be appointed by this convention, should with the bishop of the diocese, constitute a board for the investment of the Episcopal fund, two of whom should go out every year, but may be again voted for at the pleasure of the convention. That said board should have the power of appointing a treasurer out of their own body, and any vacancies which may occur during the recess of the convention should be filled up by themselves, the persons so appointed to serve until the next annual meeting thereafter of the convention. That said board shall have the power of investing any monies received for the Episcopal fund, in stocks of the State of Maryland and the city of Baltimore, at their discretion ; and in well secured ground rents yielding an interest of not less than six per cent. per annum, with the power of changing from time to time, any investment by consent of a majority ; and that a report should be made by said trustees, of their proceedings, to the convention at each annual meeting thereof, in which any changes and the reasons for making the same should be stated.

Your committee further represent to the convention, that being in the wise dispensations of Almighty God, deprived of the valuable and efficient services of the late agent for obtaining subscriptions to the Episcopal fund, it is recommended to the convention to appoint several agents for those portions of the diocese which were not visited by him, for the purpose of completing the subscriptions to the fund, whose duty it shall be to proceed immediately in obtaining such subscriptions, and return the same to the board of trustees, to be appointed by the convention.

Your committee further report, that it should be urged on the vestries of the respective parishes in which subscriptions have been obtained, to proceed forthwith to the collection of the instalments now due, so as to enable the board of trustees to take advantage of the present time for making favorable investments thereof.

Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

*Resolved*, That this convention doth hereby accept of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at its December session, in the year eighteen hundred and forty, chapter sixty-seven, entitled, “an act to incorporate the convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of the diocese of Maryland,” for the purposes therein mentioned; and that a certificate of such acceptance be transmitted to the secretary of State in the form following:

At a convention of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Maryland, begun and held at the city of Baltimore on Wednesday the 26th day of May, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-one, being the next annual meeting of said convention held after the passage of an act of the General Assembly of Maryland, passed at December session in the year eighteen hundred and forty, chapter sixty-seven, entitled, “an act to incorporate the convention of the Protestant Episcopal church of the diocese of Maryland,” a copy of said act was laid before the said convention and upon consideration thereof had, it was *Resolved*, by said convention, that the aforesaid act of the General Assembly of Maryland be, and the same is hereby accepted, and that a certificate of the acceptance thereof be filed with the secretary of State according to the provisions of said act.

In witness whereof the said convention hath caused this act to be signed by William R. Whittingham, bishop of said diocese and ex-officio president of said convention, and sealed with the Episcopal seal of the said William R. Whittingham, which is for this purpose adopted by the said convention as its corporate seal, this 28th day of May, in the year eighteen hundred and forty-one.

*Resolved*, That for the purpose of administering “the permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate in this diocese,” a board of trustees to consist of the bishop for the time being, and six lay members of this church, shall be appointed:—and that for the election of said lay members and the administration of said fund the following rules be adopted.

1st. This convention shall after the passage of these resolutions, proceed to ballot for six lay trustees, and the persons having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected.

2d. The trustees to be elected as aforesaid, shall be distributed by arrangement amongst members into three classes. The first class, consisting of the two, having the highest number of votes, shall serve until the adjournment of the next annual meeting of this convention. The second class, consisting of the two, receiving the next highest number of votes, shall serve until the adjournment of the second annual meeting of the convention hereafter; and the third class shall serve, until the adjournment of the third annual meeting of the convention hereafter. And to continue the succession of the board, the convention at its next and succeeding annual meeting, shall elect by ballot, trustees, in the stead of those whose term shall have expired. The persons thus to be elected shall serve until the adjournment of the third annual meeting of the convention after their election.

3d. Any vacancy which may happen by death, resignation, refusal to serve, or removal out of the diocese, may be supplied by appointment by the board of trustees of a suitable person, who shall serve until the next annual meeting of the convention thereafter, which shall elect a trustee to serve during the residue of the term of the person in whose stead he shall be elected.

4th. The board shall meet on some day prior to the first day of July next, to be appointed by the bishop, and at such times thereafter as the board shall direct: or, upon the requisition of the bishop or any two of the trustees. A meeting shall likewise be held on the day next preceding the day appointed for the next and succeeding annual meetings of this convention and at the

place at which the convention shall hold its meeting. A majority of the board shall be a quorum for transaction of business.

5th. The board at its first meeting and from time to time thereafter, shall appoint one of its members to act as treasurer, who shall continue in office until removed by the board, or until the expiration of his term of service as trustee. The treasurer shall have the custody of the securities and monies belonging to the said fund, subject to such order as the board may take from time to time in relation thereto. It shall likewise be his duty to keep an accurate account of his receipts and disbursements, which shall be laid before the convention at every meeting.

6th. The treasurer under the direction of the board, shall pay to the bishop out of the interest received from the contributors to said fund, and the profits of the investments to be made as aforesaid, a salary of three thousand dollars per annum, from the 17th day of September, 1840. The surplus profits, if any, shall be invested in augmentation of the fund, until further order of the convention.

7th. The funds raised and to be raised shall be invested in stocks of the State of Maryland or city of Baltimore or in ground rents, to yield not less than six per cent. per annum, as the board shall deem most expedient.

8th. Every investment shall be made in the name of "the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the diocese of Maryland," and no investment so made, shall be transferred or assigned, but by deed under seal of the treasurer of the board and of the bishop, or other two members of the board.

9th. The board shall keep a journal of its proceedings, in which shall be entered the attendance of its members, and its acts and resolutions, in regard to the administration of said fund, and on every question moved and decided, the ayes and noes shall be taken, and entered if required by any member. This journal, with a summary report of the proceedings of the board and the book of accounts of the treasurer, shall be laid before the Convention at every annual meeting.

The following named gentlemen, were nominated and appointed agents to obtain subscriptions to the fund for the support of the Episcopate, in those parts of the diocese which have not been visited by the late agent.

Rev. Dr. JOHNS, *for the District of Columbia.*

“ JOHN CLAXTON, *for the lower Counties of the W. Shore.*

“ LEVIN I. GILLISS, } *for Frederick and Montgomery*  
“ JOSHUA PETERKIN, } *Counties.*

“ T. B. LYMAN, *for Washington and Alleghany Counties.*

“ HENRY CROSDALE, *for the Eastern Shore.*

Also, the following named gentlemen were nominated and appointed trustees of the permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate in this diocese :—Mr. Samuel I. Donaldson, Mr. Jacob Albert, Mr. James Howard, Mr. Richard Potts, Judge Chambers, General James Sewall.

The committee to whom the treasurer's accounts were referred, beg leave to report, that they have examined the same and compared the vouchers with the several charges and find the same to be correct.

J. G. CHAPMAN,

FREDERICK DORSEY,

1840.			1840.	
May 28	May 27			
Paid Rev. H. M. Mason, attending Standing Committee,	By balance then due the Convention, Committee to receive Parochial Contributions,	\$ 16 00		\$ 443 84
Rev. C. Jones, do. do.	Do. for arrears of assessment of 1838, St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,	5 00		487 00
Rev. Dr. McElhinney, do. do.	All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel, interest, Savings Bank of Maryland, to 1st April,	21 50		176 00
J. Merriken, Sexton St. Paul's Church,		20 00		9 00
Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Postage on Circulars,		9 00		
John D. Toy, Printing Circulars,		4 00		
R. M. Hall, Secretary, year's Salary, incidental expenses,		61 26		
Editors of American, Advertising,		7 62		
Do. do.		2 50		
Joe. Robinson, Printing 800 copies of Journal of Convention,		140 56		
Rev. Dr. McElhinney, Printing,		5 00		
Rev. J. Spencer, attending General Convention 1832-1835,		70 00		
Do. Standing Committee 1832-1840,		50 00		
Rev. Dr. McElhinney, Standing Committee,		12 00		
Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Postage on Circulars,		8 25		
Do. Standing Committee in Cecil,		5 00		
Do. do. in Salisbury,		16 75		
Rev. Dr. Henshaw, do.		17 00		
Rev. Dr. McElhinney, in Salisbury and Baltimore,		14 50		
Rev. C. Jones, do.		15 88		
Rev. Dr. McElhinney, do.		2 75		
Bundry Postage,		75		
Deposit in Savings Bank of Maryland,		\$ 509 16		
Cash on hand,		73 62		
		632 68		
		\$ 1138 00		\$ 1138 00
	By balance, favor of Convention Fund,			\$ 632 68

BALTIMORE, May 26, 1841

R. H. OWEN, Treasurer.



The Treasurer of the Convention having in charge the Fund for the support of the EPISCOPATE of the State of Maryland, respectfully reports,

That the balance in Stock, Loan, and Cash, as  
per last annual exhibit, was - - - - \$2754 72

That he received from the Committee on the Bishop's *Annual Fund*, - - - - 800 69  
From St. Paul's parish, Prince George's county, 20 00  
All Saints, Calvert county, - - - 15 00  
Trinity church, Upper Marlborough, - 10 00  
All Hollow's, Anne Arundel, - - - 10 00  
----- \$3610 41

That he has also received contributions to the *Temporary Fund*,—

From St. Paul's church, Baltimore city, - - \$448 00  
St. Peter's church, do. - - - 225 00  
Christ church, do. - - - 154 00  
All Saints parish, Calvert county, - - 26 00  
Christ church, Anne Arundel county, - 21 00  
St. Matthew's and Zion parish, P. George's  
county, - - - - 51 50  
St. John's parish, Harford county, - - 27 00  
Broad Creek parish, Prince George's county, 20 00  
Chester parish, Kent county, - - - 55 00  
St. John's church, Georgetown, - - - 30 00  
St. John's Queen Caroline, Anne Arundel, - 51 00  
St. Anne's parish, Annapolis, - - - 100 00  
Emmanuel parish, Cumberland, - - - 15 00  
St. John's parish, Baltimore county, - 32 00  
Christ church, Calvert county, - - - 30 00  
St. John's parish, Anne Arundel, - - - 40 00  
All Saints parish, Frederick county, - - 70 00  
St. Andrew's, Clear Spring, - - - 2 00  
William and Mary, Charles county, - - 20 00  
St. Mary Anne's parish, N. East, Cecil co., 20 00  
St. Bartholemew's parish, Montgomery co., 40 00  
St. John's parish, Prince George's county, 20 00  
----- 1497 50  
Interest received on this Fund,—  
Union Bank stock, - - - - 31 50  
Keener's note and stock, - - - 90 00  
Citizens' Bank stock, - - - 60 00  
----- 181 50  
----- \$5289 41

That he has disbursed the following sums:—

Paid Bishop Doane, per Rev. Dr. McElhiney, - \$ 110 00  
Rev. Dr. McElhiney, expenses consecrating  
Bishops, - - - - 125 00  
John D. Toy, printing Circulars, - - 3 00  
Bishop Whittingham, - - - - 2250 00  
----- \$2488 00

The stock and money of this Fund consists of—

7 Shares Union Bank of Maryland, cost	-	\$ 526 50
100 Shares Citizens' Bank of Baltimore, cost	-	800 00
C. Keener's note and security,	- - -	1450 00
Cash in hand,	- - - - -	24 91
		<hr/> \$2801 41
		<hr/> \$ 5289 41

R. H. OWEN, *Treasurer.*

BALTIMORE, May 26, 1841.

The Treasurer of the Convention, charged with the *Permanent Fund* for the support of the EPISCOPATE of Maryland, begs leave to make the following exhibit of his receipts and investments to the present time:—

Received of J. Goldsborough's heirs, his bequest

to the Permanent Fund, Dec. 1839,	-	\$ 50
H. D. Evans, Esq. his subscription,	-	200
Mrs. Evans, her do.	-	20
Miss C. S. D. Heath, her do.	-	20
Hon. Nicholas Brice, his do.	-	50
Benj. D. Higdon, his do.	-	200
Mrs. Alex'r McKim, her do.	-	10
		<hr/> \$ 550

Rev. Dr. McElhiney, Agent of the

Fund, at sundry times, as stated in

book, - - - - - 3116 25

This sum, per H. D. Evans, handed

over by the Rev. Dr. McElhiney,

just before his decease, to the Rev.

Mr. Mitchel, - - - - - 543 50

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3659 75

Interest received to 1st April last, as per specifications in account book, - - - - -

143 50

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\$4353 25

Invested in Stocks, bearing 6 per cent. interest per annum, as follows :

\$1200 State of Maryland, June, 1840, cost - - \$1176 00

656 Baltimore and Washington R. Road bonds,

July, 1840, cost - - - - - 620 00

300 Do. do. Dec. 1840, cost 282 00

700 Do. do. Feb. 1841, cost 651 00

660 State of Maryland bonds, Feb. 1841, cost 620 40

1005 Do. do. April, 1841, cost 884 40

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\$ 4521

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\$ 4233 80

Cash in hand, - - - - - 119 45

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\$ 4353 25

R. H. OWEN, *Treasurer.*

BALTIMORE, May 26, 1841.

The Treasurer acknowledges the receipt of the following sums since the rising of the Convention :

From the Committee to receive Parochial Contributions, \$1055 74—(the amounts credited to the Parishes were, Convention Fund, \$445 74, and Bishop's Fund, \$511; )—the surplus of \$99 is probably caused by omission to credit some parish or parishes : and the Treasurer would here observe that the particular Fund to which payments were designed, are not all accurately noted ; but these omissions may be set right on the next payments. He has placed the \$511 to the Bishop's Fund, as will appear below, and the balance, (less \$16 for notes of the Frederick Bank,) to the Convention Fund, say five hundred and twenty-eight dollars and seventy four cents, \$ 528 74

R. H. OWEN, *Treasurer.*

The Treasurer charged with the *Temporary or Interest Fund* for the support of the EPISCOPATE, has received in addition to his annual exhibit,—

From the Committee to receive Parochial Contributions,	-	-	-	\$ 511 00
Members of St. Paul's church, Baltimore, per H. D Evans,	-	-	-	22 00
Durham parish, Charles county,	-	-	-	23 10
St. Thomas' parish, Baltimore county,	-	-	-	50 00
Christ church, Anne Arundel,	-	-	-	2 50
Somerset parish, Somerset county,	-	-	-	14 07
Coventry parish, Worcester county,	-	-	-	7 28
St. John's church, Queen Caroline, Anne Arundel,	-	-	-	22 80
William and Mary, Charles county,	-	-	-	23 20
Trinity church, Upper Marlborough,	-	-	-	21 00
St. John's parish, Prince George's,	-	-	-	6 00
St. John's, Baltimore county,	-	-	-	3 00
Sherwood chapel, Baltimore county,	-	-	-	7 20
St. Paul's, Centreville,	-	-	-	20 80
Christ church, Anne Arundel,	-	-	-	32 00
All Faith, parish, St. Mary's county,	-	-	-	6 60
St. John's parish, Hagerstown,	-	-	-	70 20
St. Andrew's parish, St. Mary's county,	-	-	-	14 00
St. Paul's parish, Prince George's county,	-	-	-	7 50
King and Queen, St. Mary's county,	-	-	-	17 41
St. James', Anne Arundel,	-	-	-	40 00
St. Matthew's and Mark's, Kent county,	-	-	-	4 80
Port Tobacco parish, Charles county,	-	-	-	19 20
St. Michael, Talbot county,	-	-	-	17 40
St. Bartholomew's church, Montgomery county,	-	-	-	16 50
Prince George's parish,	do.	-	-	38 50
St. Peter's parish,	do.	-	-	20 00
Trinity church, City of Washington,	-	-	-	60 00
St. Margaret's church, Anne Arundel,	-	-	-	10 00
All Faith parish, St. Mary's county,	-	-	-	20 00
Christ church, Great Choptank, Dorchester county,	-	-	-	14 00
St. John's parish, Baltimore and Harford counties,	-	-	-	13 00
Amount carried forward,	-	-	-	\$1,160 06

Amount brought forward, - - - - -	\$1,160 06
St. Anne's parish, City of Annapolis, - - - - -	88 00
Zion parish, Frederick county, - - - - -	20 00
All Hallow's parish, Worcester county, - - - - -	25 00
B. J. Goldsborough, Dorchester county, - - - - -	3 00
A. H. Bayley, Dorchester county, - - - - -	3 00
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	\$ 1299 06

BALTIMORE, June 11, 1841.

R. H. OWEN, *Acting Treasurer.*

The Treasurer charged with the *Permanent Fund* for the support of the EPISCOPATE, reports the following payments on subscriptions to that Fund since his exhibit of 26th ult. :

Somerset parish, Somerset county, . . . . .	\$ 31 50
Coventry parish, Worcester county, . . . . .	21 00
St. John's church, Queen Caroline parish, Anne Arundel, . . . . .	83 00
William and Mary parish, Charles county, . . . . .	63 50
Trinity church, Upper Marlborough, . . . . .	87 00
St. John's parish, Prince George's county, . . . . .	10 00
Sherwood chapel, Baltimore county, . . . . .	75 00
St. John's church, Baltimore county, . . . . .	55 00
Queen Anne's parish, Prince George's county, . . . . .	424 60
St. Paul's, Centreville, . . . . .	224 00
Christ church, Elkridge, Anne Arundel county, . . . . .	91 00
All Faith parish, St. Mary's county, . . . . .	28 20
St. John's parish, Hagerstown, . . . . .	161 20
St. Andrew's parish, St. Mary's county, . . . . .	44 00
St. Paul's parish, Prince George's county, . . . . .	66 90
King and Queen parish, St. Mary's county, . . . . .	53 50
Port Tobacco parish, Charles county, . . . . .	87 00
St. Michael's parish, Talbot county, . . . . .	91 00
Durham parish, Charles county, . . . . .	45 90
St. Matthew and St. Mark, Prince George's county, . . . . .	14 00
Christ church, Anne Arundel, . . . . .	24 00
St. Anne's parish, City of Annapolis, . . . . .	330 00
Mrs. A. W. E. Rigger, City of Baltimore, . . . . .	100 00
Christ church, Great Choptank, Dorchester county, . . . . .	153 20
All Hallow's parish, Worcester county, . . . . .	63 80
Rev. C. F. Jones, Chester parish, Kent county, . . . . .	10 00
P. F. Brookes, Annapolis, . . . . .	100 00
B. J. Goldsborough, Dorchester county, . . . . .	5 00
A. H. Bayley, Dorchester county, . . . . .	5 00
St. Paul's church, Prince George's county, . . . . .	20 00
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	\$ 2568 30

Making with the amount before reported, and interest to the 1st of April last, the *Permanent Fund* this day six thousand nine hundred and twenty-one dollars and fifty-five cents.

R. H. OWEN, *Treasurer.*

BALTIMORE, June 16th, 1841.

The foregoing report was accepted.

Leave of absence for the remainder of the session, was given to the Rev. R. H. Waters.

The convention then went into the election for delegates to the general convention; the Rev. Mr. Pinkney and H. C. Scott, Esq., were appointed tellers.

The Rev. Dr. Wyatt,	T. S. Alexander, Esq.,
“ Dr. Johns,	Judge Chambers,
“ Dr. Mason,	General Chapman,
“ Dr. Henshaw,	John Tilghman, Esq.,

were declared to be duly elected.

The following gentlemen were appointed trustees to the General Theological Seminary.

Rev. Dr. Wyatt,	Hon. Judge Brice,
“ Dr. Johns,	“ Judge Chambers,
“ Dr. Henshaw,	“ Judge Eccleston,
“ Dr. Spencer,	Francis S. Key, Esq.
“ John Wiley,	

The election for *Standing Committee* then took place. The Rev. Mr. Austin and W. Williams, Esq., were appointed tellers.

Rev. Dr. WYATT,	} <i>For the Western Shore,</i>
“ DR. HENSHAW,	
“ DR. JOHNS,	
“ LEVIN I. GILLISS,	
Rev. Dr. SPENCER,	} <i>For the Eastern Shore,</i>
“ J. A. MCKENNEY,	
“ CLEMENT F. JONES,	

were reported by the tellers to be duly elected.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That the next annual convention be held in the city of Baltimore.

The committee on parochial contributions made their report, which was accepted, as follows:—

The committee appointed to receive the annual contributions from the different parishes to the bishop's and convention funds, beg leave to report to the convention, that they have received the following sums.

*Amount paid to the Convention for the year 1841.*

PARISHES AND CHURCHES.	Bishop's Fund.	Convention Fund.	TOTAL.
Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C., . . . . .	\$ 30 00	22 00	52 00
Zion " Frederick County, 1840-41, . . . . .	20 00	12 00	32 00
St. Margaret's Church, Anne Arundel County, . . . . .	20 00	9 00	29 00
Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's " . . . . .	30 00	14 00	44 00
St. Peter's " Montgomery " . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
All Faith " St. Mary's " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
Trinity " Charles " . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
Christ Church, Washington City, D. C., 1840, . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
William and Mary Parish, Charles County, . . . . .		9 00	9 00
St. John's Church, Anne Arundel " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery " 1841, } on account of arrears for said Parish, }	10 00 10 00	6 00 8 00	16 00 18 00
Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, . . . . .	10 00	5 00	15 00
St. James' Parish, Anne Arundel County, . . . . .	20 00	9 00	29 00
St. Mary Ann's Church, Cecil " . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
Zion Church, Prince George's " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
St. John's Parish, Balt. & Harford " (Balt. Co. pd.)	5 00	3 00	8 00
All Saints' " Calvert " . . . . .	15 00	5 00	20 00
Spring Hill " Somerset " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
Trinity Church, Elkton, Cecil " . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
St. Thomas' " Hancock, Washington County, . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
Coventry Parish, Somerset & Worcester " . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
St. Peter's " Talbot " . . . . .	30 00	14 00	44 00
William & Mary Parish, St. Mary's " . . . . .	15 00	7 00	22 00
St. Thomas' " Baltimore " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
Christ Church " Calvert " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
" " " Anne Arundel " . . . . .	10 00	7 00	17 00
Somerset " Somerset " . . . . .	10 00	2 00	12 00
St. Matthew's " Prince George's " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
St. Peter's Church, Baltimore City, . . . . .		36 00	36 00
St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne County, . . . . .		10 00	10 00
King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's County, . . . . .		6 00	6 00
Great Choptank " Dorset " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
St. Michael's " Talbot " 1840-41, . . . . .	10 00	18 00	28 00
All Saints' " Frederick " . . . . .		28 39	28 39
Prince George's " Montgomery " . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
Durham " Charles " . . . . .	16 00	12 00	28 00
Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George } and Charles County, . . . . . }		7 35	7 35
Worcester Parish, Worcester County, . . . . .	20 00	6 00	26 00
St. Andrew's " St. Mary's " . . . . .		6 00	6 00
St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore City, . . . . .	30 00	14 00	44 00
Rock Creek Parish, D. C., . . . . .	20 00	19 00	39 00
Trinity Church, Washington City, . . . . .	30 00	14 00	44 00
Port Tobacco Parish, Charles County, . . . . .		6 00	6 00
St. John's Church, Washington City, . . . . .	30 00	14 00	44 00
Shrewsbury Parish, Kent County, . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
St. Paul's " Baltimore City, . . . . .		45 00	45 00
St. Mark's " Frederick County, . . . . .	10 00	6 00	16 00
St. Stephen's " Cecil " . . . . .	10 00	7 00	17 00
Christ Church, Baltimore City, . . . . .		36 00	36 00
St. John's " Hagerstown, . . . . .		9 00	9 00
St. George and St. John's Parish, Havre-de-Grace, } Harford County, . . . . . }	10 00	6 00	16 00
Chester Parish, Kent County, . . . . .		6 00	6 00
	\$511 00	*445 74	956 74

Say, five hundred and eleven dollars for the Bishop's fund, and four hundred and forty-five dollars and seventy-four cents for the convention fund.

R. MITCHELL,  
HUGH DAVEY EVANS,  
D. W. MIDDLETON.

\* There is an error in the addition of the above report; the Convention Fund should be \$ 445 74 instead of \$ 446 74. This error accounts for the overplus of money paid by the Committee to the Treasurer.

The committee on parochial contributions in obedience to the resolution calling on them for an opinion on the subject of certain sums raised in 1833, by Spring Hill and other parishes, report, that they recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

*Resolved*, That whenever a parish has raised money for the purpose of relieving itself from the annual contributions to the Episcopal Fund, the treasurer shall credit such parish with the amount of all interest upon such money received by him, on account of the assessments upon such parish for the support of the bishop.

R. MITCHELL,  
HUGH DAVEY EVANS,  
D. W. MIDDLETON.

The parochial reports were presented and ordered to appear on the journal.

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## RULES OF ORDER.

1st. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2d. This convention shall sit for the despatch of business, from 9 o'clock, A. M. until 3 o'clock, P. M.

3d. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered until the convention adjourn.

4th. At the opening of each session of the convention, as soon as the President takes the chair, the names of the clergy, who were entitled to seats at the preceding convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last convention; or, in case of his absence, by a Secretary pro tem., to be appointed by the President. The lay delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table of the Secretary, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be found present, the President shall thereupon declare the fact, and announce that the convention is organized and ready for business. A Secretary shall be elected. The following committees shall then be appoint-

ed by the chair: One of elections, to consist of three, to whom the testimonials of the lay delegates shall be referred; one on accounts, to consist of three; one on parochial contributions, to consist of three; and one on the rights of clergymen to seats in this convention, to consist of three clergymen.

5th. If the Bishop of the Diocese shall not be present at any meeting of the convention, at the opening of the same, the names of the clergy who were entitled to seats at the preceding convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last convention; or, in case of his absence, by the first named member of the standing committee who may be present. The lay delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be present, a President, pro tempore, shall be elected, agreeably to the seventh article of the constitution. A Secretary shall be elected; and then the chair shall appoint the several committees mentioned in the fourth rule of order.

6th. The standing committee for the preceding year shall be the committee on the state of the church; and all parochial reports shall be referred to the said committee.

7th. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place; and with respect and decency, address himself to the President.

8th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall declare who shall speak first.

9th. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate except with leave; nor shall any member be interrupted while he is speaking in order. And if any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, with out leave, the President shall call him to order.

10th. Any member called to order by the President, or by a member, shall thereupon take his seat.

11th. When the convention is sitting, no member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in a debate.



12th. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded ; and if desired by the President, reduced to writing, and read by the Secretary.

13th. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, unless postponed by a motion for postponement, or by the previous question, before any other motion shall be received.

14th. If a question in debate contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

15th. All questions of order shall be decided by the President. Upon all questions of order there shall be a right of appeal from the decision of the presiding officer of the convention.

16th. No member shall absent himself from the service of the convention, unless he may have leave, or be unable to attend.

17th. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the convention.

18th. The foregoing rules of order shall be deemed and considered the rules of order of all future conventions, until altered or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the journal of each convention.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

*Emmanuel Parish—Alleghany County.*

Communicants—in May, 1840, - - - - -	24
“ ‘ since added, - - - - -	12
“ removed to other parishes, - - - - -	3
“ present number, - - - - -	33
Baptisms—3 adults, 5 children, - - - - -	8
Marriages, - - - - -	7
Funerals, - - - - -	4
Confirmed by the bishop, - - - - -	15
Scholars in Sunday school, - - - - -	30
Teachers “ “ - - - - -	5

M. HARRIS, *Rector.*

Cumberland, Md., 24th May, 1841.

*All Hallow's Parish—Anne Arundel County.*

The Rector of All Hallow's parish reports for the past year:

Baptisms,—adults—white, colored, - - - - -	00
“ infants,—white, 15—colored 9, - - - - -	24
Confirmed, - - - - -	00
Communicants—last reported, - - - - -	28
“ died, - - - - -	1
“ added, - - - - -	1
“ present number, the same.	
Marriages, - - - - -	00
Funerals, - - - - -	1
Amount of collections for the General Missionary Society, - - -	\$10
Amount of collections for Diocesan Missionary Society in the way of weekly offerings, - - - - -	12

ROBERT W. GOLDSBOROUGH, *Rector.*

*Near Davidsonville, Anne Arundel County.*

May 25th, 1841.

*Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish—Anne Arundel County.*

Baptisms—adults 1, infants 2,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Communicants—last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
“ died,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
Marriages—white 2, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5

Catechetical instructions by the Rector the last Sunday of each month.

The Lord's Supper administered the first Sunday in each of the spring, summer and autumn months.

R. H. WATERS, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Savage Factory.*

*Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge—Anne Arundel County.*

The Rector of the Protestant Episcopal congregation of Ellicott's chapel respectfully reports, that he commenced divine service in said chapel on the 14th of June, 1840. This building was erected through the liberality of Elias Ellicott, Esq., and offered to the use of any Episcopal congregation that might form for that purpose in the vicinity of Patuxent Forge.

Since the above date, regular services have been continued, except for about a month, when the undersigned was confined from an injury received in falling from his horse.

The labors of the minister have been directed, in a great measure, to the forming of a congregation and the establishing of a Sunday school. He has so far succeeded as to obtain the names of 62 individuals, heads of families and others, in behalf of themselves and families, numbering in all 109 adults and 108 children, total 217. With much labor, the Rector is confident that about three times the number might be obtained, who now belong and go no where to public worship. But, owing to the inclemency of the season and the effects of the injury he received, the winter has been, in great degree, lost to him in his appropriate work.

Since he commenced his labors, he has preached in the chapel and neighbourhood, on Sunday and other days, 124 times; has addressed the Sunday school, 37 times; making in all, 161 public addresses. Many appointments were made which, owing to inclement weather and other unfavorable circumstances were not fulfilled. Communion has been once administered, on

Easter Sunday last; and will be again, by divine permission, on Whitsunday next; to be afterwards continued monthly.

The number of communicants is	-	-	-	-	-	11
Candidates for confirmation, at present,	-	-	-	-	-	6
There have been baptisms—adult,	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ “ children, (2 colored,)	-	-	-	-	-	10—11
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	-	1

On the 4th of November, 1840, a meeting was held by the male subscribers of the church, who formed themselves into a congregation, and proceeded, in accordance with the laws of the State to elect their vestry; and the vestry, in accordance with the wishes of the congregation, elected the undersigned, rector. These proceedings were renewed on the first of the present month, under the direction of an eminent lawyer of Annapolis, and recorded in the office of the clerk of the County Court, as the law requires.

There is a flourishing Sunday school attached to this church, consisting, according to register, of near 80 scholars, of which not more than upwards of 60 have attended at one time. It decreased very much during the past very inclement winter; but now is rapidly increasing since the opening of the season.

As soon as the interior of the building is completely fitted up, we intend to apply to the Right Rev. Bishop of the diocese to visit for the purpose of consecrating the chapel; confirming the candidates, and administering the communion. All of which is respectfully submitted by

ROBERT PIGGOT, *Rector*

of *Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge.*

Severn Church—Anne Arundel County.

Baptisms—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2—4
Communicants—last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13

HENRY AISQUITH, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Annapolis.*

St. James' Church, West River—Anne Arundel County.

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

Communicants—last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	72
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
“ died and removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	70

Contributions towards benevolent institutions about one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

The state of this church, is in some respects encouraging. The congregation is usually good, and the Rector inclines to the hope that there is a growing attachment to the essential truths of the Gospel, and an increasing interest in the distinctive principles and precious ordinances of the church.

WM. F. CHESLEY, *Rector*.

*West River Post Office.*

*St. John's Church—near Ellicott's Mills.*

<b>Baptisms—infants—white 8, colored 1,</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>9</b>
<b>Communicants,</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>22</b>
<b>Marriages—white 2, colored 3,</b>	-	-	-	-	<b>5</b>

The Rector cannot let pass the occasion of making his annual report without mentioning the liberality of his parishioners in the erection of a substantial and convenient parsonage. The cheerfulness with which they have taxed themselves to contribute to the comfort of their pastor, is he trusts, a token of their earnest desire to secure to themselves, and their children the ministry of God's word and the sacraments of His church.

HUGH T. HARRISON, *Rector*.

*Ellicott's Mills, May 25th, 1841.*

*St. Margaret's, Westminster Parish—Anne Arundel County.*

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10

Missionary collections, \$20.

The Rector reports no important changes during the last year. The congregations, considering the circumstances of the parish, are good. Catechetical and scriptural instructions are given to the children on every Sabbath, and during the summer season two consecutive services are held on each day of public worship. A tract of good and well wooded land, containing sixty-four acres, has recently been purchased by the vestry, and it is contemplated to erect a parsonage during the ensuing season.

ORLANDO HUTTON, *Rector*.

*Post Office, Annapolis.*

*Ascension Church—Baltimore.*

The history of this church for the past year, is similar to that of every incipient, successful undertaking of a like nature. There have been obstacles in the way of its advancement, but yet, with the divine blessing, progress has been made. At the presentation of our last report, a church edifice had been recently commenced; it is now near completion, and the basement occupied as a lecture room, has since Christmas afforded convenient accommodations for our services. The congregation though yet small, has very materially increased and is still increasing. Judging from the past we are warranted in believing that all the reasonable expectations of those friends of the church by whose beneficence this enterprize has thus far been carried on and is still sustained, will be fully realized. The location of the edifice is eminently happy, possessing every facility for exerting desirable influences upon a large, respectable and rapidly improving portion of our population. If for a little season longer we may hope for the countenance and support of those who have thus far befriended us, the day we think not far distant when our now infant church will not only sustain herself, but become the dispenser of efficient aid to others in their need. The following are the statistics of the church:

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
“ adults,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants—added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
“ removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28
Sunday school children about	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60

FRANCIS PECK, *Rector.**Baltimore, May 26th, 1841.**St. Andrew's Church—Baltimore.*

Baptisms—1 adult, 36 children,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	37
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Communicants—removals and deaths,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58
Sunday School—male teachers 8—scholars	48							
“ female teachers 10—scholars	62							
Total, Teachers	18—scholars	110						

Through the benevolent and zealous exertions of the ladies of the congregation, \$800 have been collected and paid over to the treasurer towards the extinction of the church debt during the year, making the aggregate of about \$14,000 which has been appropriated to this purpose, since the commencement of the new church edifice. The commendable zeal and liberality of this infant church, with the aid of the older congregations of the city, warrant the indulgence of the hope, that the day is not far distant, when it will be entirely relieved from pecuniary embarrassment, and able to extend effective help to others who may be in need.

H. S. KEPPLER, *Rector*.

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*St. Paul's Parish—Baltimore.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	62
Confirmations, - - - - -	93
Marriages, - - - - -	17
Deaths, - - - - -	32
Communicants, - - - - -	358

W. E. WYATT, *Rector*.

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*St. Peter's Church—Baltimore.*

The Rector respectfully reports to the bishop that since the last convention there has been little change in the state of his congregation. The continuance of the divine blessing calls for renewed manifestations of gratitude and love.

Baptisms—adults 5, infants 21, - - - - -	26
Communicants—added, - - - - -	21
“ died, removed, &c., - - - - -	16
“ present number, - - - - -	485
Marriages, - - - - -	17
Funerals, - - - - -	23

The charity school for boys and girls attached to this church continues to be highly flourishing and useful. The Sunday schools are much in the same state as last year. The benevolent contributions of this congregation for the last two years, including their subscriptions to the church of the Ascension, have been about \$10,000.

J. P. K. HENSHAW, *Rector*.

*St. James' First African Protestant Episcopal Church—Baltimore.*

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
Sunday school teachers—male,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
“ “ female,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
“ scholars—male,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58
“ “ female,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84

This is the only place in the city where the colored population, amounting to more than twenty-one thousand, are favoured with the services of the church, and the want of a permanent Rector for several years, has militated against its prosperity.

For the past half year the church has been without a pastor, and its affairs have been managed by a lay reader. Through the kindness of the clergy however, the ministrations of the altar have been regularly supplied and the spiritual wants of the congregation attended to.

J. N. McJILTON, *Lay Reader.*

*Baltimore, May 25th, 1841.*

*Sherwood Chapel—Baltimore County.*

Baptisms—adults, white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ infants, white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10—13
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Sunday school teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
“ scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55

Contributions for missionary purposes, \$68.

GEO. F. WORTHINGTON, *Rector.*

*Golden Post Office, May, 1841.*

*St. Thomas' Parish—Baltimore County.*

Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Confirmed recently,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Sunday school scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25

CHAS. C. AUSTIN, *Rector.*



*All Saints' Parish—Calvert County.*

Baptisms—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Marriages—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ whole number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Contributions for missionary purposes, \$15.									

HENRY WILLIAMS, *Rector.**Huntington Post Office, May 27th.**Christ Church Parish—Calvert County.*

Baptisms—adults, white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ infants, white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50—77
Confirmed—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Communicants—last reported 51, it should be,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
“ died,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ transferred,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
“ withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55
Marriages—white 4, colored 3,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Funerals—white 6, colored 3,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Sunday school teachers—male 4, female 4,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ scholars—male 15, female 28,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43

Amount of collections for the different institutions connected with the church, about \$150.

It is proper here to state, that strong efforts have been made since the bishop's visit, to raise a church and form a new parish in Prince Frederick district, formerly constituting a part of Christ church parish, and which embraces the thirteen communicants mentioned in the above report as transferred.

The Rector gives his decided approbation to this undertaking, and believes it will succeed. He would further state that the chapel is completed, and the church much improved. It is hoped to see the church in entire repair this summer.

As to the spiritual state of the parish, there is abundant cause for gratitude and encouragement. God has been very kind to his unworthy servant in giving him some souls over whom to rejoice. Christians are growing into the fulness of the stature of men in Christ. And the signs are such as to give ground to hope, that the Lord has much people here of such as shall be saved.

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector.*

*St. Leonard's Post Office, May 26th.*

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*St. Paul's Parish—Calvert County.*

I accepted an invitation last winter to take charge of a new parish, comprising a part of Christ church parish. The boundary forming our limits has been amicably adjusted by the parties concerned. There is no Episcopal church within the limits of the parish. I officiate at the Court House, which has been kindly tendered to us until we get a church erected, which I hope through the divine blessing will be consummated this fall. We have about twenty-five hundred dollars subscribed, a sum sufficient to justify the vestry to advertise for proposals for its immediate commencement. The edifice is to be located at Prince Frederick Town, a central situation. The attendance has been good. A Sunday school has been organized which promises to be a flourishing one.

Members of families, about	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

ROBERT PROUT, *Rector.*

*Prince Frederick Town Post Office, May, 1841.*

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*St. Stephen's Parish—Cecilton.*

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2—33
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

JOHN WILEY, *Rector.*

*Durham Parish—Charles County.*

Communicants, about	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

THOMAS B. FLOWER, *Rector.*

*Partnership Post Office, May 27th.*

*Trinity Parish—Charles County.*

The Rector of this parish having been just elected to the same, can only report it as being now supplied with the regular ministrations of the church.

JAMES ABERCROMBIE, *Rector.*

*May 26th, 1841.*

*William and Mary Parish—Charles County.*

Baptisms—adults, white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
“ infants, white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
“ “ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28—36
Confirmed—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Communicants—added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ died or removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	39—39
Marriages—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1—5
Funerals—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8—15

Collection for the Episcopal fund as far as already subscribed, \$610.

JOHN W. HOFFMAN, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Milton Hill, Charles County, May 27th, 1841.*

*Christ Church—Georgetown, D. C.*

The Rector of Christ church, Georgetown, records with thankfulness, that after an indisposition of eight or nine months, he was permitted towards the close of November last to resume his parochial labors. Through the goodness of God and the kindness of some of his brethren in the ministry, the

church was kept open during the period with the exception of a few Sundays. Since that time there has been an increasing physical ability for the discharge of his duties. He is happy to state that he has reason to believe the word sown in great weakness has not been unblessed and that the affairs of his charge generally are prosperous.

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
“ adults,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Communicants—added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
“ total,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	162

JOHN F. HOFF, *Rector*.

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*Christ Church, Washington Parish—Washington City.*

The Rector regrets that absence from his charge on account of ill health prevents his giving the statistics of his church for the past year. There is nothing of peculiar interest to communicate in reference to the state of this parish. The accessions to the communion have been few; but there have been many changes in the members attending by removal, but the number of families connected with the congregation continues about the same.

HENRY H. BEAN, *Rector*.

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*Rock Creek Church—District of Columbia, from May to November, 1840.*

Communicants—last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	69
“ removed 2, died 2,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	72
Baptisms—infants 11, adult 1,	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Sunday school—teachers 5, scholars 30,	-	-	-	-	-	-	35

A new parsonage has been commenced and enclosed, but still remains without windows or doors, for want of sufficient funds to defray expenses already incurred, and to complete the building. An energetic pastor might collect sufficient money to finish this building and the pew rents will yield \$500 yearly.

K. JOHNS STEWART, *late Rector*.

*St. John's Church—Georgetown, D. C.*

Baptisms, (adult 1,)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41
Deaths,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Marriage,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday school—teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
“ scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70

ALEX. M. MARBURY, *Rector*.*May 30th, 1841.**St. John's Church—Washington City.*

The Rector reports as follows :

Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	114
Marriages—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Baptisms—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5

Among which was that of the late President of the United States, William Henry Harrison, who, in the wise, but inscrutable Providence of God, having briefly occupied the Presidential chair, and after a few days illness, was called away from the high and honorable station to which he had, so recently been elevated by the spontaneous voice of his country—his body to the dust from whence it came and his spirit to God who gave it.

An event solemn and impressive, and deeply to be lamented, not only by the congregation of which he was a member, but by the church at large, on account of his professed high regard for the Holy Scriptures as the rule of his faith and practice—his warm attachment to her ancient Liturgy and Evangelical form of worship and the scriptural and primitive order of her ministry. Had his valuable life been spared, the Rector has good reason to believe, that ere this, he would have added his public testimony to the sincerity of his faith in a crucified Saviour for salvation, in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. This act of commanded devotion, had it taken place, would no doubt have soothed his dying pillow and strengthened his confidence and brightened his prospects and cheered his hopes of a blessed immortality. May this *regretted* omission of duty on his part, be a loud warning and prove a salutary admonition to all the members of the church, in every station in life, to prepare for the coming judgment and final destiny of all, by a speedy and willing *confession* of the Saviour before men at his holy table, that he may at the last day *confess* them before his Father in Heaven, and receive at his hands, the promised glorious reward.

WM. HAWLEY, *Rector*.*Washington, May 26th, 1841.*

*Trinity Parish—Washington City, D. C.*

The Rector reports the following official acts during a period of seventeen months :

Baptisms—white, infants, - - - - -	28
“ “ adults, - - - - -	3
Marriages, . . . . .	17
Funerals, - - - - -	15
Communicants—added, - - - - -	47
“ from another parish, - - - - -	3
“ died, - - - - -	11
“ removed, - - - - -	9
“ total, - - - - -	175
Sunday school—teachers, male, - - - - -	10
“ “ female, - - - - -	16
“ scholars in attendance, about - - - - -	175

The amount contributed by the congregation during the above period is as follows :

Towards liquidating the church debt, - - - - -	\$500 00
Towards finishing the church, about - - - - -	1,800 00
Towards missions and other objects connected with the church, about - - - - -	550 00
Towards bishop's salary, - - - - -	132 00
Convention fund, - - - - -	44 00

In making the above report, the Rector, under an increasing sense of responsibility, not only for the blessing that has already attended his labours, but for the encouraging prospects which spreads out before him, presents to God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, the tribute of a grateful heart.

HORACE STRINGFELLOW, *Rector.*

*East New Market Parish—Dorchester County, Eastern Shore, Md.*

Baptisms—infants, white, . . . . .	3
“ “ colored, . . . . .	2
Marriage, . . . . .	1
Funerals, . . . . .	0

Although no building has been erected yet for our use, I feel encouraged with the prospect of obtaining one, the ensuing summer, which will afford ample accommodation to the congregation for some time.

ENOCH BAYLEY, *Rector.*

*Cambridge, Dorchester County.*

*Christ Church, Great Choptank Parish—Cambridge.*

This parish continues to improve.

The catechetical instructions of the young members of the flock still interests, not only those for whose benefit it is chiefly intended, but also many adult members of the congregation.

The bible class, which now embraces as many as can be accommodated in our place of meeting, has been an efficient instrument of good to those more advanced in life.

Besides the subscriptions to the fund for the support of the Episcopate, through the agent of the convention and the ordinary expenses of the parish, this congregation has contributed six hundred and sixty-five (665) dollars to various church objects during the present conventional year.

Baptisms, . . . . .	13
Burials, (one of these not of the congregation,) . . . . .	4
Marriages, . . . . .	5
Confirmed, . . . . .	9
Catechumens, . . . . .	30
Communicants—added, . . . . .	8
“ present number, . . . . .	37

J. A. McKENNEY, *Rector*.

May, 1841.

*All Saint's Parish—Frederick.*

The Rector reports that having removed to this parish within the last three weeks, he can furnish such statistics only as he finds on the records of his predecessor, together with the baptism of an adult by himself.

Baptisms—adult, white, . . . . .	1
“ by present rector, white, . . . . .	1—2
“ infant, white 6, colored 1, . . . . .	7—9
Confirmed, . . . . .	11
Communicants—white and colored, as nearly as can be ascertained, . . . . .	98
Marriages, . . . . .	2
Funerals, . . . . .	2
Sunday school—according to last report, teachers 17, scholars 95	

J. PETERKIN, *Rector*.

<i>St. Mark's Parish—Merry-land Tract, Frederick County.</i>									
Baptisms—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4-10
Communicants—as reported by Rev. Mr. Phillips,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	99
“ died,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5-102
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Funerals,—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Marriages—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

The Rector is happy to say, that the Rev. Mr. Bulkley has been very use-fully engaged in building up the Redeemer's Kingdom in a remote part of his parish—and has collected towards the erection of a church edifice about \$1600. The Barley-wood school, for females in this parish, under the care of the Rev. Mr. Phillips, is in a very flourishing condition and deserves to be supported by every lover of the Episcopal church.

J. DELAPLANE, *Rector.*

Petersville, May 22d, 1841.

<i>Zion Parish—Frederick County.</i>									
Baptisms—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4-7
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Funerals—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—white,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	27
“ colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3-30

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector.*

Frederick County, Md.

<i>St. George's and St. John's Parishes—Harford County.</i>									
Baptisms—adults—white,	21—colored,	2,	.	.	.	.	.	.	23
“ infants	“ 27—	“ 7,	.	.	.	.	.	.	34-57
Confirmations on two occasions,	20—colored,	1,	.	.	.	.	.	.	21
Communicants, last reported,	44—added 18—died 2—removed								
2—suspended 1—present number,			.	.	.	.	.	.	57
Marriages—white,	5—colored,	4,	.	.	.	.	.	.	9
Funerals,			.	.	.	.	.	.	8
Children of the parishes catechised in church and Sunday									
school,			.	.	.	.	.	.	70

R. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, *Rector.*



*St. Paul's—Kent County.*

Baptisms—infants, white 2, colored 3, . . . . .	5
Confirmed—white, . . . . .	19
Communicants—last reported, (unknown) added . . . . .	26
“                withdrawn, . . . . .	1
“                whole number at this present time, . . . . .	31
Marriages—white, . . . . .	1
Funerals—white, . . . . .	4
Sunday school, 35 scholars, 7 teachers.	

Amount of collections (uncertain) none have been made for general purposes distinct from the incidental expenses of the parish.

The Rector of this church entered upon his duties the last Sunday in December, ultimo. The condition of the parish was sufficiently deplorable, as it had been deprived of regular clerical supervision and instruction for a long series of years.

There was handed to the present Rector when invited to the parish a list of 22 names, most of them heads of families as a nucleus around which to collect a congregation. Of these 4 have not been in attendance. This list included 1 male and 5 female communicants. The male communicant has since that time left the church, without assigning a reason for his conduct. There are at this time 32 families regularly enrolled as members of the church, besides a large number in general attendance, not yet enrolled.

The stipend afforded the Rector has been increased more than 50 per cent. over the amount first designed. The vestry has generously presented to their minister, a valuable horse and carriage, and are, at this time, engaged in extensive repairs to the church building.

For this purpose nearly \$600 are already subscribed. It would be unjust to fail to record the zeal and industry of the ladies of the parish and neighborhood, in their exertions for a fair, to be held in June next, and in their beautiful present of sacred vestments to the Rector.

With zeal and energy united to an humble dependence upon the Great Head of the church, the parish cannot fail to receive both temporal and spiritual blessings in plentiful measures, from Him, who has already vouchsafed them no equivocal tokens of His favor.

A Bible class has been formed, to meet in the middle of the week, which promises to repay the extra labor which it imposes.

With the approbation of the Bishop, services have been commenced among the slave population. The Sunday afternoon is devoted to them. A congregation larger than the church can comfortably accommodate, assembled the last Sunday, on which services were held for them.

The experiment is yet new, and its results are known only to Him who has encouraged His ministers to “cast their bread upon all waters.”

May His word have free course, and the glory be all ascribed, where it is alone due.

F. W. BOYD, *Rector.*

*St. Paul's Parish, May 22d, 1841.*

*Shrewsbury Parish—Kent County.*

Baptisms—adults, white, . . . . .	9
“ infants, “ . . . . .	34
“ “ colored, . . . . .	8—51
Confirmed, . . . . .	12
Communicants added, . . . . .	5
“ died, . . . . .	1
“ present number, . . . . .	25
Marriages—white, . . . . .	3
“ colored, . . . . .	2—5
Funerals—white, . . . . .	5
“ colored, . . . . .	1—6

Children catechised (openly in the church) monthly. Others of those confirmed, it is believed, would have been added to the communion but for the unfavorable weather.

In October last, the parish church completed during the past year, was consecrated by the bishop.

The effort (mentioned in our last report) as about to be made to repair the chapel it is hoped will prove entirely successful. The building is now almost ready for consecration. To accomplish this, a committee have assumed the responsibility of a considerable debt, we fear, however, in the present infant state of the parish we must look for some assistance beyond its limits. The spiritual condition of things is encouraging.

CHAS. E. PLEASANTS, *Rector.*

*P. O., Georgetown Cross-roads, Kent County, May 24th, 1841.*

*St. Peter's Parish—Montgomery County.*

Baptisms—white, . . . . .	8
“ colored, . . . . .	18—26
Marriages—colored, . . . . .	5
Funerals—white, . . . . .	4
“ colored, . . . . .	2
Communicants—white, . . . . .	50
“ colored, . . . . .	3—53

Nothing particular has taken place since the last report. Our church is still in a delapsed condition, there was some prospect at my last report, that a new church would have been built or building by this time, but no steps have been taken to accomplish this desirable object.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector.*

*Frederick City, Md.*

*Broad Creek Parish—Prince George's County.*

Baptisms—white, . . . . .	44
“ colored, . . . . .	48—92
Confirmed by Bishop Doane, Feb., 1840—white, . . . . .	8
“ “ “ colored, . . . . .	2—10
Communicants—last reported, . . . . .	50
“ added, . . . . .	26
“ died, . . . . .	5
“ removed, . . . . .	5
“ present number, . . . . .	66
Marriages—white, . . . . .	9
“ colored, . . . . .	2—11
Funerals, . . . . .	23
Sunday schools—male teachers, . . . . .	4
“ female teachers, . . . . .	6—10
“ male scholars, . . . . .	30
“ female scholars, . . . . .	35—65

Contributions for general missionary purposes, \$44 75

The above are the statistics of the parish for the last two conventional years, the report for the year ending May 27th, 1840, having been mislaid, and thus omitted in the journal. During the summer of 1839, Broad Creek church was thoroughly repaired, and the graveyard neatly enclosed; the whole expense of which was about seven hundred dollars. A subscription of about thirteen hundred dollars has been raised for the purpose of building a parsonage; and there is every prospect that this most desirable object will be accomplished early in the summer. The contracts have been made, and the building is now in successful progress. A valuable piece of woodland has been presented to the parish by a liberal and zealous layman, which is estimated at three hundred dollars. The house will be about equi-distant from the two churches, and located upon one corner of the above mentioned lot. There seems to be a disposition among the people to place their parish upon a permanent basis, that they may be able to enjoy the services of a minister without any interruption. Their liberality towards this object is truly com-

mendable, and their Rector sees therein new motions to increased diligence and zeal. There have been some instances of self sacrifice in behalf of the church, which evidence a love not unlike that of the widow immortalized by the Gospel. Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts are circulated throughout all classes of the community, as opportunities occur. The additions to the communion will show that whilst we have these external signs of prosperity and interest, the more precious concerns of the soul are remembered by some, and that we have, in some degree, enjoyed the blessing and grace of Him, who has declared His “word shall not return unto Him void.”

EDWIN M. VAN DEUSEN, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Alexandria, D. C.*

*Queen Ann Parish—Prince George's County.*

Communicants—added,	3
“ present number,	84
Baptisms—white,	20
“ colored,	70
Funerals—white,	6
“ colored,	6
Marriages—white,	5
“ colored,	9
Amount subscribed to the permanent fund for the support of the bishop,	\$ 3,000
By several persons for domestic missions,	12 50

GEO. L. MACKENHEIMER, *Rector.*

*Good Luck Post Office.*

*St. Mark's—Prince George's County, Md.*

Baptisms—white,	6
“ colored,	3
Marriages,	4
Communicants—died,	2
“ removed,	1
“ added,	1
“ present number,	37

*St. Matthew's—Prince George's County, Md.*

Baptisms—white,	14
“ colored,	10

A subscription has been raised to repair the church which amounts to

about,	\$700
Subscriptions to bishop's fund,	127
Pledged to missionary at Vienna,	50
Total,	\$877

Stepney Hill Church—Somerset County.

Baptisms—infants,	2
Communicants—added,	2
“ present number,	44
Subscriptions to bishop's fund,	\$135.

K. JOHNS STEWART, Rector.

Stepney Parish—Somerset County.

Communicants—added,	1
“ removed,	1
“ present number,	9
Marriages,	3
Subscriptions to bishop's fund,	\$114.

K. JOHNS STEWART, Rector.

St. Michael's Parish—Talbot County, Md.

Baptisms—white 7, colored 6,	13
Marriages—white 5, colored 3,	8
Funeral,	1
Communicants,	30

JOSEPH SPENCER, Rector.

St. Peter's Parish—Talbot County, Md.

Baptisms—adults, (clinick,)	2
“ infants,	36
Communicants—last reported,	91
“ died,	6
“ removed,	6
“ present number,	91
Marriages,	10

Funerals,	7
Sunday school—teachers,	11
“ scholars,	58

The state of this parish since the last report has undergone no material variation. The fund known as the offerings of the church, has within the conventional year, amounted to ninety-three dollars, and the circle of industry has realized four hundred dollars. The last sum will be applied to the new church which is still in progress.

There is reason to trust that the spirituality of the congregation has not been retrograde, although I have to mourn the deficiency of male communicants which is the grief of my life.

HENRY M. MASON, *Rector.*

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*St. Andrew's Church—Clear Spring, Washington County.*

Baptisms—adult, white,	1
“ infants, white,	3
“ “ colored,	3—7
Confirmed by Bishop Whittingham, 7th November, 1840,	8
Communicants—last reported,	6
“ new residents,	4
“ added,	4—14
“ removed,	2—12
Marriages—white 2, colored 1,	3
Funerals—white 3, colored 1,	4
Sunday school—teachers,	5
“ scholars,	30

Since last convention a neat church edifice has been completed, consecrated, and nearly paid for ; and the subscriber having just taken charge of All Saints' parish, Frederick, hopes soon to resign this church into the hands of an efficient successor.

J. PETERKIN, *Rector.*

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*St. John's Parish—Hagerstown, Washington County.*

Families,	70
Baptisms—infants,	14
Communicants,	91
Marriages,	3
Funerals,	3

THEODORE B. LYMAN, *Rector.*

*St. Thomas' Church—Hancock.*

Communicants—white 41, colored 2, removed 1, total,	42
Baptisms—adult 1, infants 3, total,	4
Marriages—white 1, colored 2, total,	3
Funerals—white 1, colored 1, total,	2
Confirmations—white 11, colored 1, total,	12
Sunday school scholars—males 30, females 40, total,	70
“ teachers—males 4, females 6, total,	10

Amount collected from this church since November 8th, 1840, to missionary and other benevolent objects is \$41.82½.

S. W. CRAMPTON, *Rector*.

*All Hallow's Parish—Worcester County.*

Baptisms—infants,	9
Communicants,	49
Marriages,	6
Funerals,	5
Sunday school teachers,	6
Scholars,	25

JOHN P. ROBINS, *Assistant Minister*.

*Snow Hill, May 27th, 1841.*

*Christ Church—Baltimore.*

Communicants,	321
Baptisms,	19
Marriages,	11
Funerals,	24

Charitable contributions, upwards of \$2,500.

'The Sunday schools are well conducted and prosperous.

During the past year the ladies have instituted an Asylum for destitute female children, which promises much usefulness. It is located at present in north Frederick street, where upwards of twenty children are enjoying its advantages.

'The missionary association of this congregation have secured the services of the Rev. C. F. Butler. A suitable room has been provided in north Eden street. The Sunday school opened the first day with more than one hundred scholars. The prospect of collecting a congregation in that section of the city is every way encouraging.

J. JOHNS, *Rector*.

*Resolved*, That the usual allowance be made to the Secretary for his services at this time.

*Resolved*, That the sum of twenty dollars be paid to the Sexton of St. Paul's church, for his attendance on the present occasion.

The business of the convention being finished, the session was closed with prayer and benediction by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, and the convention adjourned sine die.

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland,*  
*and President of the Convention.*

RICHARD M. HALL, Secretary.







**LIST OF THE CLERGY**  
**OF THE**  
**DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.**  
**1841.**

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The Clergymen to whose names an asterisk (\*) is prefixed, did not attend the meetings of the Convention.

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**\*Rev. Walter D. Addison.**

**Rev. Henry Aisquith, Rector of Severn church, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Charles C. Austin, Rector of St. Thomas' parish, Baltimore county.**

**Rev. Jas. Abercrombie, Rector of Trinity parish, Charles county.**

**\*Rev. John Alberger.**

**\*Rev. Thomas Bayne, Rector of Dorchester parish, Dorchester county.**

**Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of Christ's church, Washington city, D. C.**

**Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of King and Queen parish, St. Mary's county.**

**Rev. Olcott Bulkley, Assistant Minister of St. Mark's parish, Frederick county.**

**\*Rev. Enoch Bayley, Rector of East New Market parish, Dorchester county.**

**Rev. James A. Buck, Rector of Christ's church, Calvert county.**

**Rev. Henry Brown, Rector of St. Paul's parish, Queen Ann's county.**

**Rev. Frederick William Boyd, Rector of St. Paul's parish, Kent county.**

- Rev. Clement M. Butler, Assistant Minister of Christ's church, and city missionary, Baltimore.
- Rev. Wm. F. Chesley, Rector of St. James' parish, West River.
- Rev. John Claxton, Rector of St. Andrew's parish, St. Mary's county.
- Rev. Henry Crosdale, Rector of Somerset parish, Somerset county, and Coventry parish, Somerset and Worcester.
- \*Rev. William James Clark, Rector of All Hallow's and Worcester parishes, Worcester county.
- \*Rev. S. W. Crampton, Rector of St. Thomas' church, Hancock, Washington county.
- \*Rev. John Delaplane, Rector of St. Mark's parish, Frederick county.
- Rev. Samuel C. Davis, Rector of All Faith parish, St. Mary's county.
- Rev. Thos. B. Flower, Rector of Durham parish, Charles county.
- Rev. Levin I. Gilliss, Rector of Prince George's and St. Bartholomew's parishes, Montgomery county.
- Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough, Rector of All Hallow's parish, Anne Arundel county.
- Rev. Robert Lloyd Goldsborough, Rector of St. George's and St. John's parishes, Havre-de-Grace, Harford county.
- \*Rev. Henry B. Goodwin, residing in Charles county.
- \*Rev. Zachariah H. Goldsmith, Charles county.
- Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's church, Baltimore.
- Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's church, Washington city.
- Rev. Matthias Harris, Emmanuel parish, Alleghany county.
- Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Rector of St. John's church, Ellicott's Mills, Anne Arundel county.
- \*Rev. Alfred Holmead, Rector of St. James' parish, Baltimore county.
- Rev. Hector Humphreys, D. D., Principal of St. John's College, Annapolis.

Rev. Orlando Hutton, Rector of St. Margaret's church, Washington parish, Anne Arundel county.

Rev. John W. Hoffman, Rector of William and Mary parish, Charles county.

Rev. John F. Hoff, Rector of Christ's church, Georgetown, D. C.

Rev. John Johns, D. D., Rector of Christ's church, Baltimore.

\*Rev. Leonard H. Johns, residing in Cumberland, Alleghany co.

Rev. Clement F. Jones, Rector of Chester parish, Kent county.

\*Rev. Norris M. Jones, Rector of Christ's church parish, Queen Ann's county.

\*Rev. John R. Keech, Rector of St. John's parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.

Rev. Henry S. Keppler, Rector of St. Andrew's church, Baltimore.

Rev. Samuel C. Kerr, Rector of St. Paul's parish, Nottingham, Prince George's county.

Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, Rector of St. John's parish, Hagerstown, Washington county.

Rev. George L. Mackenheimer, Rector of Queen Ann's parish, Prince George's county.

Rev. Henry M. Mason, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's parish, Talbot county.

Rev. James A. McKenney, Rector of Great Choptank parish, Dorchester county.

\*Rev. Alexander M. Marbury, Rector of St. John's church, Georgetown, D. C.

Rev. Richard Mitchell, Rector of William and Mary parish, St. Mary's county.

Rev. Henry Major, Rector of Christ's church, St. John's parish, Prince George's and Charles counties.

Rev. John Owen, Rector of St. Paul's church, Frostburg, Alleghany county.

Rev. William Pinkney, Rector of St. Matthew's and St. Mark's churches, Prince George's county.

Rev. Robert Prout, Rector of St. Paul's parish, Calvert county.

\*Rev. Richard H. Phillips, Barleywood, near Petersville, Frederick county.

Rev. Francis Peck, Rector of Ascension church, Baltimore.

Rev. Robert Piggot, Rector of Ellicott's chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county.

Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Rector of All Saints, Frederick county.

Rev. Charles E. Pleasants, Rector of Shrewsbury parish, Kent county.

\*Rev. J. J. Robertson, D. D., missionary to Constantinople.

\*Rev. John P. Robins, Assistant Minister of All Hallow's parish, Worcester county.

\*Rev. Purnell F. Smith, residing at Georgetown, Kent county.

Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's parish, Talbot county.

Rev. K. Johns Stewart, Rector of Spring Hill & Stepney parishes, Somerset county.

Rev. Horace Stringfellow, Rector of Trinity church, Washington city.

Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Rector of St. Peter's parish, Montgomery county, and Zion parish, Frederick county.

Rev. Jos. Trapnell, Jr., Rector of Trinity church, Upper Marlborough, Prince George's county.

\*Rev. Fitch W. Taylor, Chaplain in the United States Navy.

\*Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, Rector of Broad Creek parish, Prince George's county.

Rev. Richard Henry Waters, Rector of Christ's church, Anne Arundel county.

Rev. John Wiley, Rector of St. Stephen's parish, Cecil county.

\*Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Rector of Port Tobacco parish, Charles county.

Rev. Henry Williams, Rector of All Saints' parish, Calvert co.

Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's parish, Baltimore.

Rev. Thomas James Wyatt, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's, Baltimore.

\*James C. Wheat.

## LIST OF LAY DÉLEGATES,

*Who attended the Convention, and of the Parishes and Churches which they represented.*

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- Mr. Samuel I. Donaldson, }  
Mr. Hugh Davey Evans, } St. Paul's church, Baltimore.
- Mr. A. F. Henderson, Christ's church,                   “  
Mr. Robert Neilson, St. Peter's church.                   “  
Mr. John Lowry, St. Andrew's church,                   “  
Mr. William Woodward, Ascension church,                   “  
Mr. Edmund B. Addison, St. Thomas' parish, Baltimore county.  
Mr. William Dimmit, St. John's parish, Baltimore and Harford  
counties.
- Mr. D. W. Middleton, Trinity parish, Washington city.  
Capt. Joseph Le Chevalier Hardy, of the United States Army,  
Washington parish, Washington city.
- Mr. Washington Berry, Rock Creek parish, D. C.  
Judge James S. Morsell, Christ's church, Georgetown, D. C.  
Doctor Philip Lansdale, St. John's Parish, Harford county.  
Mr. Benjamin Mullikin, Ellicott's chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne  
Arundel county.
- Doctor Allen Thomas, Christ's church, Queen Caroline parish,  
Anne Arundel county.
- Mr. T. Watkins Ligon, St. John's church, Queen Caroline parish,  
Anne Arundel county.
- Mr. T. S. Alexander, St. Anne's church, Annapolis, Anne Arun-  
del county.
- Mr. Charles Hammond, St. Margaret's church, Westminster par-  
ish, Anne Arundel county.
- Mr. James H. Watkins, All Hallow's parish, Anne Arundel co.  
Doctor Benjamin Carr, St. James' parish,                   “                   “

- Mr. B. O. Lowndes, St. Matthew's parish, Prince George's county.  
 Mr. Richard B. Walker, St. Mark's church, " "  
 Mr. Grafton Tyler, Queen Ann's parish, " "  
 Mr. Horatio C. Scott, Trinity church, Upper Marlborough, Prince  
 George's county.  
 Mr. John Gibson, All Saints' parish, Calvert county.  
 Mr. John Bond, Christ's church parish, " "  
 Gen. John G. Chapman, Port Tobacco parish, Charles county.  
 Mr. George Dent, William and Mary parish, " "  
 Dr. Randolph Jones, William and Mary parish, St. Mary's county.  
 Dr. C. Graham Brown, All Faith parish, " "  
 Mr. Edwin Forman, Worcester parish, Worcester county.  
 Mr. Benjamin J. Dashiell, Spring Hill parish, Somerset county.  
 Dr. William Williams, Coventry parish, " "  
 Dr. James Stewart, Somerset parish, " "  
 Dr. Joseph Nicols, East New Market parish, Dorchester county.  
 Mr. William H. Groome, St. Peter's parish, Talbot county.  
 Mr. Samuel Hambleton, St. Michael's parish, " "  
 Mr. William Gould, St. Luke's parish, Queen Ann's county.  
 Mr. Kinsey Harrison, St. Paul's parish, " " "  
 Mr. Samuel Comegys, Shrewsbury parish, Kent county.  
 Mr. Rowland Ellis, St. Mary Ann's parish, Cecil county.  
 Gen. James Sewall, Trinity church, Elkton, "  
 Mr. Nathan Dickerson, Prince George's parish, Montgomery co.  
 Mr. David Trundle, St. Peter's parish, " "  
 Mr. Thomas Griffith, St. Bartholomew's parish, " "  
 Mr. William J. Ross, All Saints' parish, Frederick county.  
 Mr. Daniel Duvall, St. Mark's parish, " "  
 Mr. John H. Simmons, Zion parish, " "  
 Dr. Frederick Dorsey, St. John's parish, Washington county.  
 Mr. Jacob Shlageal, St. Thomas' parish, Hancock, "  
 Mr. Thomas S. Shriver, Emmanuel parish, Alleghany county.



NUMBER OF CLERGYMEN IN THE DIOCESE.

At the last Convention, (1840,) - - - -	73
Omitted in the list then published, - - -	2
Added, - - - - -	7—82
Removed to other dioceses, - - - -	3
Died, - - - - -	4— 7
	—
	75
	—
Attended the Convention, - - - -	53
Absent, - - - - -	22—75

FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

\_\_\_\_\_ Parish, \_\_\_\_\_ County, May 18—

Baptisms,	. Adults, white —, colored —, = — }	. . . . .	—
“	. Infants, do —, do —, = — }	. . . . .	—
Confirmed,	. . white, —, colored, —,	. . . . .	—
Communicants, last reported,—	added —, . . . . .	— }	
“	died—,removed—,withdrawn—,suspended,— }		
“	present number, . . . . .	. . . . .	—
Marriages,	. . . white,—, colored —,	. . . . .	—
Funerals,	. . . do —, do —,	. . . . .	—
Sunday schools, male teachers —, scholars —, }	Teachers,	. . . . .	—
“ “ female do —, do —, }	Scholars,	. . . . .	—

Amount of collections for the different institutions connected with the church.

Remarks by the Rector.

Nearest Post Office.

\_\_\_\_\_ ———, Rector.

## APPENDIX.

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### AN ACT

*To incorporate "The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Maryland," for the purposes therein mentioned.*

[Passed December Session, eighteen hundred and forty.]

WHEREAS the members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland, have subscribed for and raised a fund for the permanent support of the Episcopate of said church, and whereas also, the convention of the said church, which by the constitution thereof is entrusted with the administration of its concerns, has no legal authority to receive, invest or dispose of said fund or the proceeds arising therefrom, and to that end have asked that a law may be passed incorporating the said convention for the purpose alone of administering the said funds according to the design of said contributors.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the persons who now constitute and may hereafter constitute the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Maryland, shall be and they are hereby incorporated and made a body corporate and politic by the name of "The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Maryland," and by that name they and their successors to be elected, appointed and qualified according to the form and effect of the constitution of the said church, for the time being, shall have perpetual succession, and by that name be capable of suing and being sued in any court of law or equity in this State, and shall have and use a common seal, and the same break, alter and renew at pleasure, and shall have and exercise such other powers as shall or may be necessary or proper to carry into effect the objects of the incorporation.*

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That the said corporation shall have full power and authority to take and hold subscriptions or contributions in money or otherwise, for the purpose of creating a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate in said diocese, and the same to invest and the proceeds thereof to apply for the purpose aforesaid, as may from time to time be deemed most expedient, and shall likewise have full power and authority to appoint an executive committee or other trustees, by whatever name or names they may be designated, to administer said fund, in such manner and form and with such authority as the said corporation shall from time to time prescribe: *Provided, however*, that the expenses of administering said fund, the salary of the Bishop and other charges thereon, shall be payable and paid only out of the annual interest, dividends or profits of said fund, and that the principal sum or amount of such contributions and subscriptions shall be at all times kept invested in some safe and profitable stocks, mortgages or other securities.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That if this act shall be accepted by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of this Diocese at their next annual meeting, the said Convention shall proceed to adopt such rules and regulations in regard to the said fund and its administration as to the said Convention may seem expedient.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That nothing herein contained shall enlarge, restrict, or in any manner affect the power or authority which the said Convention now hath, or may exercise or claim, over the said church in this diocese, or the members thereof, but all such powers and authorities which are or may be claimed or exercised shall remain in like condition and none other as if this act had not been passed.

SEC. 5. *And be it enacted*, That this act shall be and the same is hereby declared to be void and of no effect, unless it shall be accepted by the said Convention at its next annual meeting, and a certificate or act of such acceptance filed with the Secretary of State in three months thereafter.

To the RT. REV. WILLIAM R. WHITTINGHAM, D. D.,  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland :*

DEAR BROTHER,

To you whom God has made the overseer of that portion of his flock, lately entrusted for a time to my provisional charge, it is proper that I should report such offices and matters ecclesiastical, as occurred during my relation to it, and were not communicated to the last convention.

They are briefly as follows:

The Rev. Simon Wilmer, a presbyter of the diocese, departed this life on the 23d May, 1840.

On the seventh Sunday after Trinity, August 2d, in St. Mary's church, Burlington, I admitted Mr. George Fitzhugh Worthington, to the Holy Orders of Deacons, and licensed him to preach the Gospel. He was presented to me on that occasion by the Rev. George McElhiney, D. D., long my friend, now taken from his work on earth to the rest of the Saints. My heart yearns with you at the loss which the church has thus sustained; and I pray God to make the lesson profitable to us all. A man more upright and affectionate, a more consistent humble christian, a more intelligent, devoted churchman, a more faithful, self-denying pastor of the flock of Christ, there is not left among us.

Having acknowledged in a printed letter addressed to the bishop, clergy and laity of the diocese of Maryland, the courteous expression made to me on the day of your consecration by a committee of the clergy in behalf of their brethren present on that auspicious occasion, and taken my leave in words of heartfelt love, of brethren and friends endeared to me exceedingly by my official intercourse among them, I have only now to close this brief communication, with the fervent prayer, that God will be with you abundantly in all the blessings of his grace at your assembling in his name, that all your counsels may be taught of

Him, and that as now so in the generations of all succeeding time, the diocese of Maryland may be a household favoured of the Lord, kept in his truth, abiding in his peace, and hastening on the time when all the triumphs of the church accomplished, there shall be but one fold under one Shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Faithfully and affectionately,

Your brother in Christ,

G. W. DOANE,

*Bishop of New Jersey,*

*Lately provisional Bishop of Maryland.*

RIVERSIDE, *Tuesday after Ascension*, 1841.

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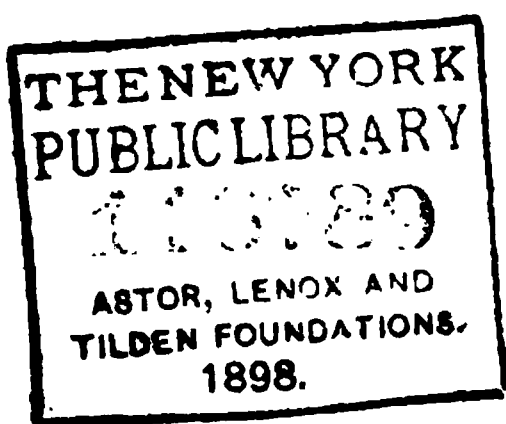
**WEDNESDAY, May 25th,—THURSDAY, May 26th,—and FRIDAY,**  
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## **PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.**

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**BALTIMORE, WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 1842.**

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, a number of the clergy and laity assembled, at 11 o'clock, A. M. in St. Paul's Church.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, and the lessons by the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman.

The Convention Sermon was preached by the Bishop, who also administered the Holy Communion, assisted by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt and the Rev. Messrs. Harrison and Lyman.

After Divine service, the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese took the chair, and called the Convention to order. The list of clergy was called over by the Secretary, when thirty-six members answered to their names, as follows:

Rev. Henry Aisquith,  
" Charles C. Austin,  
" Thomas Billopp,  
" Henry Brown,  
" Enoch Bayley,  
" James A. Buck,

Rev. Theodore B. Lyman,  
" G. L. Mackenheimer,  
" James A. McKenny,  
" John Owen,  
" William Pinckney,  
" Francis Peck,



Rev. William F. Chesley,	Rev. Robert Piggot,
“ Levin I. Gilliss,	“ Joshua Peterkin,
“ R. L. Goldsborough,	“ K. Johns Stewart,
“ J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D.	“ Horace Stringfellow,
“ William Hawley,	“ Joseph Trapnell,
“ Hugh T. Harrison,	“ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.
“ Alfred Holmead,	“ Edwin M. Vandeusen,
“ Hector Humphrey, D. D.	“ Richard H. Waters,
“ Orlando Hutton,	“ John Wiley,
“ John W. Hoffman,	“ Henry Williams,
“ John Johns, D. D.	“ William E. Wyatt, D. D.
“ John R. Keech,	“ Thomas J. Wyatt.

The following lay delegates presented their testimonials and signed the declaration required by the second article of the Constitution.

Horatio C. Scott,	William C. Tyler,
James Howard,	W. D. Poole,
J. L. C. Hardy,	Philip Lansdale,
Thomas Shriver,	Nathan Dickerson,
J. H. Brice,	Alexander C. Magruder,
William S. Weedon,	Allan Thomas,
Thomas J. Chew,	Benjamin Mullikin,
N. Ridgely,	Samuel I. Donaldson,
J. Mason Campbell,	Hugh D. Evans,
Lambert D. Nowland,	John G. Rogers,
William B. Paca,	Thomas Duckett,
Plummer Ijams,	John W. Magruder,
William Gould,	Thomas Berry.
Thomas W. Ligon,	

Mr. Richard M. Hall, having declined a re-election as Secretary, it was

*Resolved*, That the Convention now proceed to elect, by ballot, a Secretary to the present convention.

*Resolved*, That in future, the Secretary of the convention shall not be entitled to a salary.

Upon counting the ballots, Dr. Hervey Colburn was declared duly elected.

The President announced the following Committees :

ON ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

A. C. Magruder, J. Mason Campbell, and Thomas Duckett, Esquires.

ON THE RIGHTS OF CLERGYMEN TO SEATS.

Rev. Dr. Henshaw, Rev. Mr. Pinckney, Rev. Mr. Hawley.

ON PAROCHIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rev. George L. Mackenheimer, H. D. Evans, Esq. Dr. Allan Thomas.

ON ACCOUNTS.

Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, and Messrs. Thomas Berry and Thomas Shriver.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, MAY 26, 1842.

The Convention met at 9 o'clock.

Morning prayer was read by the Rev. Richard H. Waters, and the lessons by the Rev. James A. Buck.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

The following clergymen not present yesterday, took their seats this morning.

Rev. Henry H. Bean,

“ Olcott Bulkley,

“ Clement F. Butler,

“ William J. Clark,

“ Henry Crosdale,

“ Samuel C. Davis,

“ Thomas B. Flower,

“ R. W. Goldsborough,

Rev. Matthias Harris,

“ Norris M. Jones,

“ Henry S. Keppler,

“ Samuel C. Kerr,

“ Henry M. Mason, D. D.

“ John N. McJilton,

“ John P. Robins,

“ George F. Worthington.

The following lay delegates not present yesterday, appeared and signed the declaration. Their testimonials were referred to the Committee on Elections, reported to the house, and approved.

William W. Johnston,  
John T. Taylor,  
Robert S. Wilson,  
Ezekiel F. Chambers,  
William H. Groome,  
William M. Maynadier,  
Thomas Marshall,  
Henry R. Harris,  
David G. Odell,  
James Hebb,  
P. T. Berry,  
Levin Keene,

Bailey Washington,  
Samuel Hambleton,  
Joseph N. Stockett,  
John Lowry,  
Washington Duvall,  
Jacob Shlagel,  
Josias H. Hawkins,  
Charles I. Jones,  
William B. Scott,  
William Woodward,  
John S. Williams.

Application was made to the Convention for recognition of a new Parish in Calvert County, by the name of "St. Paul's Parish, Calvert County."

Also, for the admission to union of the congregation of "Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills."

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration and report on the application of new Parishes and Churches.

The Rev. Henry Crosdale, the Rev. William F. Chesley, and Horatio C. Scott, Esq. were appointed such committee.

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, made the following report, which was adopted unanimously :

*The Board of Trustees of the*

*Episcopal Fund respectfully report :*

That shortly after the adjournment of the annual Convention of 1841, the Board held its first meeting, and after appointing Jacob Albert, Esq. Treasurer, and Samuel I. Donaldson, Secretary, proceeded by Circulars addressed to the several Vestries of the Diocese, (excepting those in the city of Balti-

more,) and to the individual subscribers to the fund, residing in the City,—to solicit payment of the first instalment of the permanent fund, together with the interest due on the whole amount of the subscription. On examining the journal of the Convention, it was discovered that in appointing agents to collect subscriptions in several parts of the Diocese, Baltimore and Harford counties had been overlooked, and the Board requested the Rev. Mr. Keech to take charge of them, who kindly consented to do so, and has since returned subscriptions of \$450 from St. John's Parish, in Baltimore and Harford counties, about \$565 from St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, and \$67 from St. John's, Havre-de-Grace, and St. George's, Harford county; not having the opportunity of making applications to the parishioners generally in the two Parishes last mentioned.

The statements of the Treasurer accompanying the report shew, that \$11,944 45 of the permanent fund, and but \$1,327 44 of the temporary fund have been paid. The inadequacy of the latter to meet the engagements of the Convention must be obvious to the Convention, and unless some efficient measures be immediately adopted to ensure the payment of the temporary fund, it will be utterly impossible for the Trustees to provide the means necessary for the support of the Episcopate.

The death of the Rev. Doctor McElhiney, the able and persevering agent of this fund, a short time prior to the meeting of the last Convention, has left the Board without the means of ascertaining exactly the full amount of the subscriptions of the Parishes visited by him, which are believed to have been something more than \$50,000. In order to remedy this defect, it would be desirable, that the Convention should adopt some measures to obtain the information required, and it is respectfully suggested that this might be attained by requesting the several Vestries having possession of the original subscription books to make a return to the Convention or Board of Trustees, of the amount of subscription in each Parish.

Reports have been received from the agents appointed by the last Convention, by which it appears that subscriptions have been obtained from the following Parishes, viz. St. Peter's, Talbot, \$1,045 00; Shrewsbury, Kent, \$200 00; St. Stephen's, Cecil, \$235 00; Trinity Church, Elkton, and St. Mary Ann's, Cecil, \$130 00; Prince George's, Montgomery, \$40 00; St. Peters, Montgomery, \$416 00; St. Bartholomew's, Montgomery, \$400 00; Zion Parish, Frederick, \$243 00; St. Mark's, Frederick, \$223 00; Christ Church, Georgetown, \$986 00; St. John's, Georgetown, 160 00; Trinity Church, Washington, \$915 00; Frostburg, Alleghany, \$850; and St. Mark's and St. Matthew's Parish, Prince George's county, \$1,023 00. Further

attempts are to be made in some of the Parishes above named, and also in St. John's Church, Washington, by invitation from the Vestry.

Of the money in the hands of the Treasurer, \$10,167 45 have been invested, the greater portion of it in Stock of the State of Maryland, from which at the present crisis but little interest can be expected. A part of the fund named had been invested by the Treasurer of the Convention, prior to the organization of the Board.

The Board beg leave to call the attention of the Convention more particularly, to the temporary fund, which, under a resolution passed in 1840, was to continue for three years; it has not been contributed to as the Convention intended and had a right to expect. If the intention expressed in the resolution referred to, could be fully carried out, so as to provide for the support of the Episcopate until the permanent fund should be more matured, it would relieve the Board from the great embarrassment now experienced in obtaining the means actually required at the present time, and which cannot be dispensed with. The Convention is urged to do something effectual on this subject, and it is respectfully suggested that one or more agents should be appointed either by the Convention or the Board of Trustees, for the purpose of collecting the instalments and interest due on the subscriptions to the permanent fund, and obtaining additional subscriptions as well to it, as to the temporary fund. To the latter the Board must look for aid in fulfilling the engagements of the Diocese to the Bishop, until the system originally adopted, and intended for the support of the Episcopate of Maryland, can be more fully matured.

All which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL I. DONALDSON,

*Sec'y of Board of Trustees.*

*Statement of Receipts and Investments of the Permanent  
Fund of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Maryland.*

1841.				
July	7	By this amount invested in stock by R. H. Owen Esq. as stated below, - - -		\$4,233 80
"	7	To \$2,865 33 State of Maryland 6 per cent. Stock, purchased by R. H. Owen, and transferred to the Convention of the Prot. Epis. Church of the Diocese of Md.—Cost, - - - - -	\$2,680 80	
"	7	To \$1,656, 6 per cent Bonds of the Baltimore and Washington Rail Road, purchased by R. H. Owen, Esq.—Cost, -	1,553 00	
"	7	By cash received of R. H. Owen, Esq. 16 June, and 7 July, - - - - -		1,887 75
"	7	To \$4,083 22 State of Maryland 6 per cent. Stock, purchased 17 June, 1841, of S. Harris & Son, bearing interest from 1 April, 1841, at 88½ per 100, -	3,613 65	
"	7	By cash received of St. Paul's Church subscription, in June, - - - \$1,015		
"	7	By cash received of St. Peter's Church in June, - - - - - 500		
"	7	By cash received of Christ Church in June, - - - - - 362		1,877 00
"	7	By cash received of St. Paul's Church in July, - - - - - \$526		
"	7	By cash received of St. Peter's Church in July, - - - - - 155		
"	7	By cash received of Christ Church in July, - - - - - 25		
"	9			706 00
"	12	By cash received of St. Matthews and St. Mark's Parish, per W. Pinckney's letter, 6 July, - - - - -		23 80
"	20	By cash received of All Saints' Church, Frederick, of Thos. W. Morgan, Treas. -		125 00
"	26	By cash received of St. John's Church, Baltimore county, per Rev. G. F. Worthington, - - - - -		25 00
"	26	By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Berlin, per Sam'l I. Donaldson's draft, -		179 50
Aug.	16	By cash received of New Market Parish, Dorchester county, per Rev. Enoch Bailey, - - - - -		4 00
"	21	By cash received of Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's county, per Grafton Tyler, Treasurer, - - - - -		36 00
		Amount carried forward, - - -	\$7,847 45	\$9,097 85

1841.	Amount brought forward,	\$7,847 45	\$9,097 85
Aug. 23	By cash received of All Saints Church, Frederick, per Thomas W. Morgan, Treasurer, - - - - -		100 90
" 27	By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, through Rev. S. C. Kerr, - - - - - R.		5 00
" 31	By cash received of St. Paul's Church in August, - - - - - \$250		
" 31	By cash received of St. Peter's Church in August, - - - - - 65		
" 31	By cash received of Christ Church in August, - - - - - 220		535 00
Sept. 6	By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, through Rev. S. C. Kerr, - - - - - R.		10 00
" 6	By cash received of Chester Parish, Kent county, per Hon. E. F. Chambers—C. F. Jones, Rector, - - - - -		98 80
" 8	By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, per S. Pinkney, - - - - -		15 00
" 14	This amount reported to the Board of Trustees, - - - - -	\$7,847 45	\$9,962 55
" 17	To \$1,000 State of Maryland 6 per cent. Stock, purchased 17 September, 1841, of B. I. Cohen, bearing interest from 1 July, at 86 per cent. redeemable 1857. Interest payable semi-annually, - - -	860 00	
" 18	To \$2,000 State of Maryland 5 per cent. Stock, redeemable in 1849,—interest from 1 July, payable quarterly,—purchased of S. Harris & Son, 18 September, 1841, at 73 per cent. - - -	1,460 00	
" 15	By cash received of St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's, through the Rev. William Pinkney, per letter, dated 13 September, - - - - -		26 00
" 15	By cash received of St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, per S. I. Donaldson, - - - - -		60 00
" 15	By cash received of St. George's Parish, Harford county, per S. I. Donaldson, - - - - -		30 00
" 15	By cash received of St. John's Parish, Havre de-Grace, per S. I. Donaldson, - - - - -		7 00
" 22	By cash received of Somerset Parish, Somerset county, per W. W. Johnston, Treasurer, - - - - -		60 00
" 22	By cash received of Trinity Parish, Charles county, per Wm. Dyson, Treasurer, - - - - -		96 00
	Amount carried forward, - - - - -	\$10,187 45	\$10,141 45

1841.	Amount brought forward,	-	\$10,157 45	\$10,141 55
Sept. 23	By cash received of St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills, R. M. Dorsey, Treasurer, per Rev. Mr. Harrison,	-		50 00
" 25	By cash received of Chester Parish, Kent county, per Hon. E. F. Chambers,	-		55 20
" 30	By cash received of St. Paul's Church in September,	- - - - \$85		
" 30	By cash received of Christ Church in September,	- - - - 150		215 00
Oct. 31	By cash received of St. Paul's Church in October,	- - - - \$300		
" 31	By cash received of St. Peter's Church in October,	- - - - 25		925 00
Nov. 10	By cash received of St. Paul's Church in November,	- - - - \$100		
" 10	By cash received of Christ Church in November,	- - - - 50		
" 10	By cash received of St. Peter's Church in November,	- - - - 50		200 00
" 9	By cash received of St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's, per Wm. Pinkney,	- - - -		17 00
" 6	By cash received of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county, per Rev. J. Peterkin,	- - - -		33 00
" 8	By cash received of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, per Rev. John R. Keech,	- - - -		40 00
" 8	By cash received of Christ Church, Har- ford county, per Rev. John R. Keech,	- - - -		7 00
Dec. 24	By cash received of Queen Caroline Par- ish, per S. Brown, Jr.	- - - -		50 00
" 28	By cash received of St. Mary's Parish, Cecil county, per R. L. Goldsborough,	- - - -		15 00
" 31	By cash received of St. Paul's Church in December,	- - - -		100 00
1842.				
Jan. 19	By cash received of St. John's Church, Baltimore county,	- - - -		5 00
" 20	By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,	- - - -		36 00
" 14	By cash received of Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county,	- - - -		15 00
" 19	By cash received of Christ Church, Har- ford county,	- - - -		12 50
Feb. 15	By cash received of All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel, per S. I. Donaldson, Esq.	- - - -		23 70
	Amount carried forward,	-	\$10,157 45	\$11,340 95



1842.	Amount brought forward,	\$10,167 45	\$11,944 45
Feb. 15	By cash received of St. James' Church, Anne Arundel county, per S. I. Donaldson, Esq. - - - - -		30 00
" 15	By cash received of William & Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, per S. I. Donaldson, - - - - -		8 00
" 15	By cash received of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, per S. I. Donaldson, Esq. - - - - -		20 00
" 15	By cash received of All Saints Parish, Calvert county, per S. I. Donaldson, Esq. - - - - -		10 00
" 15	By cash received of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, per S. I. Donaldson, Esq. - - - - -		10 70
" 15	By cash received of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, per S. I. Donaldson, Esq. - - - - -		11 00
" 28	By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - -		80 00
Mar. 31	By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - - -		3 00
" 29	By cash received of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, Md. - - - - -		5 00
" 30	By cash received of St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's, - - - - -		19 50
April 1	By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's, - - - - -		9 00
" 30	By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - -		5 00
" 30	By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - - -		5 00
May 12	By cash received of St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills, of Geo. Howard, Esq. - - - - -		200 00
" 24	By cash received of St. John's Parish, Washington county, per Rev. Mr. Lyman, - - - - -		114 80
" 25	By cash received of Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro', per H. C. Scott, Esq. - - - - -		60 00
" 25	By cash received of Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel, per Rev. Mr. Waters, - - - - -		12 50
		\$10,167 45	\$11,944 45

*Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the  
Temporary or Interest Fund for the support of the Bishop  
of the Diocese of Maryland.*

1841.			
July 8	By cash for 3 months interest on 6 per cent. Stock of State of Maryland, on \$4,083 22, due 1st. inst. - - - - - \$61 25 2½ per cent. premium for specie, 1 53		\$62 78
" 9	By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's, per Rev. William Pinkney, - - - - -		8 20
" 12	By cash from All Saints Church, Frederick, per Thomas W. Morgan, Treasurer, -		75 00
" 26	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Berlin, per S. I. Donaldson's draft on Thos. Robbins, Esq. Philadelphia, by order of R. I. Henry, Register, - - - - -		26 70
Aug. 18	By cash from Richard H. Owen, Esq. Treasurer, for balance of Temporary Fund in his hands, for account of collection, - -		733 41
" 23	By cash from All Saints Church, Frederick, per Thomas W. Morgan, Treasurer, -		13 97
" 27	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, per Rev. S. C. Kerr, -		3 00
Sept. 6	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, per Rev. S. C. Kerr, -		6 00
" 6	By cash from Chester Parish, Kent county, C. F. Jones, Rector, per Hon. E. F. Chambers, - - - - -		33 60
" 8	By cash from St. Anne's Parish, per S. Pinkney, - - - - -		9 00
" 14	This amount reported to the Board of Trustees		\$971 66
" 22	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one-quarter of the proceeds of the Fund, in advance, from 17 September, 1841, - -	\$750 00	
" 15	By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's, per Rev. William Pinkney, - - - - -		4 00
" 22	By cash from Somerset Parish, Somerset county, per William W. Johnston, Treasurer, - - - - -		7 20
" 22	By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles county, W. Dyson, Treasurer, per Rev. Abercombrie, - - - - -		9 30
" 25	By cash from Chester Parish, Kent county, per Hon. E. F. Chambers, - - - - -		11 10
Oct. 2	By cash for 3 months interest on \$1,656 08, 6 per cent. Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Certificates, - - - - -		24 84
	Amount carried forward, - - -	\$750 00	\$1,028 10

1841.	Amount brought forward, - - -	\$750 00	\$1,028 10
Oct. 2	By cash for 3 months interest on \$6,948 55, 6 per cent. State of Maryland Stock, due 1st inst. - - - - - \$104 23		
" 2	By cash for 3 month's interest on \$2,000, 5 per cent. State of Mary- land Stock, due 1st inst. - - - 25 00		
		\$129 23	
	2 per cent. premium for specie, 2 58		131 81
Nov. 10	By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, per M. Warner, - - - - -		80
" 9	By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's, per Wm. Pink- ney, - - - - -		9 90
Dec. 16	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one- quarter of the proceeds of the Fund, in ad- vance, from 17 December, 1841, - - -	750 00	
" 24	By cash from Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, per S. Brown, Jr. - - -		3 00
1842.			
Jan. 3	By cash for 3 months interest on \$1,656 08, 6 per cent. Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Certificate, - - - - -		24 84
" 6	By cash for 6 months interest on \$1,000, 6 per cent. State of Maryland Stock, due 1st inst. - - - - - \$30 00		
	4 per cent. premium on specie, 1 20		31 20
" 20	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, - - - - -		1 22
" 29	To cash paid Knight & Colburn for stationary, - - -	20 00	
Feb. 28	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - -		2 50
Mar. 18	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one- quarter of the proceeds of the Fund, in ad- vance, - - - - -	750 00	
" 30	By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore, - - -		72
" 30	By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, per Rev. Wm. Pinkney, - - -		6 50
April 1	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's, - - - - -		2 88
" 18	By cash for 3 months interest on \$1,656 08, 6 per cent. Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road certificate, - - - - -		24 84
" 30	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - -		50
" 30	By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - -		50
May 8	By cash per E. Ridgely, collected by Com- mittee of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - -		5 00
" 24	By cash from St. John's Parish, Washington county, Md. - - - - -		35 58
" 25	By cash from Trinity Church, Upper Marl- boro', Prince George's, - - - - -		10 80
" 25	By cash from Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, - - - - -		6 75
		\$2,270 00	\$1,927 44

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report to the Convention what measures shall be adopted for the support of the Bishop for this year.

The Hon. E. F. Chambers, James Howard, and S. I. Donaldson, Esqs. were appointed.

The Committee on the applications of new Parishes and Churches presented the following REPORT :

The Committee to whom were referred the petitions of sundry persons of Calvert county, styling themselves the Vestry, Wardens and Rector of St. Paul's Parish, in said county; and of sundry persons composing the Vestry of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills; praying to be received under their respective organizations, into union with this Convention, report, that it appears from the documents submitted, that in each of these cases the steps prescribed by the laws of this State and the Constitution and Canons of the Church, have been taken, and therefore recommend for the adoption of the Convention, the following resolutions and act :

*Resolved*, That the congregation of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, be received into union with the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland.

*Resolved*, That St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county, according to the act herewith presented, be received into union with the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese.

*An Act for the division of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, and the erection of St. Paul's Parish, in said county.*

Whereas, sundry members of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, have, with the consent of the Vestry of said Parish, applied for a division thereof, and the incorporation of a separate Parish,—Be it therefore enacted by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, that a separate Parish, by the name of St. Paul's Parish, in Calvert county, be and the same is hereby erected, within the following limits, viz :

Beginning at the mouth of Battle Creek and running with said creek to Laveille's Mill,—thence with the public road through by "Hog's Haunt," to "Parker's Creek," and the Chesapeake Bay—with said Bay to "Plumb Point Creek"—with said creek to the public road leading by Samuel Essex's to Hunting Creek—with said creek to the Patuxent river, and with said river to the beginning.—And that the Parish hereby created shall hereafter be entitled to all the rights and privileges enjoyed by the several Parishes, in the Diocese of Maryland.

HENRY CROSDALE,  
WM. F. CHESLEY,  
H. C. SCOTT.

The resolutions and act were accordingly passed.

The committee appointed at the last convention to revise the Constitution and Canons, made the annexed REPORT :

The committee appointed to revise and correct the 18th canon of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, and any others that may require revision and correction, and report the same to the next Convention for confirmation : also, to revise the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland, which relate to the conditions on which clergymen are entitled to seats in the Convention, and to report any change or modification, which in their opinion may be proper :

Respectfully report, that in their judgment the eighteenth canon contains a wholesome provision for the relief of the minister of a Parish, in case of offence where denial of the fact, or contumacious refusal to listen to private advertisement, shall render a formal trial advisable for the more satisfactory ascertainment of the guilt of the offender or confirmation of the justice of his sentence. The present wording of the canon they deem objectionable, inasmuch as it offers the provision for trial only as an ultimate resort after the failure of process by private admonition. They propose, therefore, the following amendment :

Strike out the words " and if he shall have sufficient evidence thereof, he shall privately admonish the person, and if this shall not have the desired effect, he may then " being in the 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th lines of page 109 of the compilation of the Constitution and Canons, printed in Baltimore in 1836; and substitute the words " as provided in the Rubric before the order for the administration of the Holy Communion. And if after private advertisement he shall deem it necessary, he may : "

So as to make the Canon read as follows :

" If a communicant of this Church shall offend in any of the respects mentioned in the seventeenth Canon, the minister of the Parish in which the offender shall reside, shall, upon receiving information thereof, take cognizance of the offence ; as provided in the Rubric before the order for the administration of the Holy Communion. And if after private advertisement he shall deem it necessary, he may convene the Vestry and Wardens " &c., as at present.

The committee on careful consideration of the constitution and canons, as they affect the titles of clergymen to seats in this Convention, can find no sufficient reason for making any change, and deem further legislation on the subject inexpedient.

Although not committed to them, they venture to recommend the erasure of the twenty-third canon from the code, as being now superseded by the action of the General Convention of 1841, in its amendment of the sixth article of the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and passage of the 4th canon of 1841, "on the trial of Bishops." They therefore offer the following resolution, viz :

*Resolved*, That the twenty-third canon of 1835 be and is hereby repealed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the committee.

Baltimore, May 26, 1842.

W. R. WHITTINGHAM, *Chairman*.

The report was adopted and the resolution and amendment passed.

The Bishop's annual address was then read as follows :

*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :*

In both orders we have again to deplore the work of death. From among the clergy, a brother, earnest, laborious and faithful has been taken, after a short career of ministerial usefulness. From among the laity, two long-trying, true and honoured pillars of the Church have been removed. As representatives of their respective parishes, the names of Sewell and Murray appear upon your records; as ornaments, not of those parishes only, but of the diocese, their memories will be treasured in our hearts. Nobler or lovelier examples, in life or death, might be long sought in vain. Happen when it may, the departure of such men as regards themselves is timely, as regards the survivors premature.

The Rev. John Delaplane, late Rector of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county, had been long declining, before his decease in October last; but with a zeal that almost literally consumed him, had refused to intermit his labours, until on the very margin of the grave. No man more loved his Master's work than he; none more diligently performed it; few more successfully. He is at rest; but his works do follow him, and it shall be long before the fruits of his toils and prayers cease to be apparent in the congregation on which they were bestowed.

Another brother of the clergy, although in mercy spared to us, has been severely tried by a sudden and painful visitation. An accident in travel, in October last, had almost deprived the Rev. Mr. Boyd, of St. Paul's Parish, Kent county, of his life, and has completely incapacitated him for labor in his parish from that day to this. Although he promptly proffered a resignation of his charge, the parish has continued vacant, and I much fear, has suffered in no slight degree from the interruption of its Rector's very successful ministrations. The thorough repair of the exterior and beautiful reconstruction of the interior of the parish church had just been completed, by no small effort on the part of all concerned, and at no small outlay of expense and pains. Their discouragement at finding themselves compelled to forego its use for so long a period is proportionate.

This is not the only parish in the Diocese now vacant, and likely to continue so. St. Andrew's Church, Clearspring, has remained unsupplied ever since the removal of the Rev. Mr. Peterkin to All Saints, Frederick, a year ago: St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg, since the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Morrison, of Virginia, at a still earlier date; King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county, since the removal of the Rev. Mr. Billopp to St. George's, Spesusiæ, and St. John's, Havre-de-Grace, in November; and Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, since the removal of the Rev. Mr. Pleasant to All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county, on the first of the present month; St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, is also vacant, by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Holmead to Elliott's Mills; but has a reasonable hope of supply from another Diocese. The other churches and parishes are all vacant, and but too likely to continue so, on account of real or supposed inability to afford an adequate support to their clergymen.

Among the cares that crowd upon my office, none are more perplexing than those arising from this source. Parishes, large, populous, promising a rich harvest to the well-qualified and faithful laborer, become vacant because their minister, to shun debt or

starvation, accepts some offer, holding out the prospect of a maintenance less inadequate to his and his children's wants. The churches close, the congregations scatter, the souls of the people starve. I urge them to have pity on themselves, and secure the enjoyment of the means of grace; and am told, in reply, that they will gladly receive a minister, if I can recommend them a man of piety, zeal, industry, talents, and experience in the ministry, *who is not burdened with a family*. A young man, a single man, is the man of their choice:—young, although inexperienced, and in many respects, perhaps, as yet, incompetent, because he is single; and whether young or old, only so long as he is single. Should this state of things continue, the result must be, to drive the Church to enforce celibacy on at least a portion of her ministry. Souls *must* be cared for. The ordinances *must* be imparted, even if those who need them are so insensible to their value and their own duty as to withhold what it is their bounden obligation to contribute, a competent support for the person charged with their administration. Sooner or later, the difficulty will be met, and if a married and paid minister are not provided for, the mercy of God, the Spirit that lives and works in his Church on earth, and the faith and zeal of her true sons, will raise up and send forth a celibate and begging ministry, to carry the word and ordinances to those who are willing to perish themselves, and let their children and servants perish, rather than spare a portion of their gettings to maintain on an equality with themselves, one set apart exclusively to minister in the things that pertain unto everlasting life. It is very evident that wherever ten families are numbered in a parish or congregation, there is an ability to do this, without going beyond the standard that the Lord Himself has set as the fittest measure of our return for His mercies, by provision for His worship. No man who gives less than a tenth of his income is free from guilt, even the guilt of the blood of souls, if he and his lack the means of grace. A fearful account of his stewardship, shall he have to



render unto God. Nevertheless, I repeat it, though checked and baffled for a time, the Church will overcome this obstacle. If a married clergy are not maintained, a single clergy shall be raised up. If all maintenance is withheld, men shall not be wanting to go forth for the love of CHRIST, houseless and penniless, forsaking all, as at the first, to advance the triumph of His Name. But let the laity consider well the alternative; and ask themselves whether they be indeed ready to recal into action the machinery that well nigh ground them into powder for ten centuries before the reformation. I am no alarmist: but it requires no prophet's eye to see in the state of society in this country at the present time, indications that may well make the lover of pure liberty and social order tremble: nor needs a prophet's voice to warn our brethren of the laity, that for their property, the sacredness of their domestic hearths, the life-blood of their children, they can, under the gracious protection of the Lord of Hosts, provide no more efficient safe-guard, no more adequate security, than a numerous married and settled clergy. To such a class they may look to uphold the pillars of society when shaken. From it alone they may expect effectual resistance to the swelling tide of lawlessness and crime. Such a class we yet have—the best bower anchor of the good ship, our country. But let the stinted maintenance held out to the parish-clergy bring in, as it must and will, a celibate and shifting ministry, and the Church itself is rendered one element, and a most powerful and therefore a most dangerous one, of the mass of fermentation. All the influence she now exerts to strengthen, settle, stablish, will become available for subjugation and subversion. Let the revealed divine intention that they who preach the Gospel shall live of the Gospel, and that the teacher of the flock shall be also its example in all social duties, by discharging them in the maintenance and government of a well-ordered family—let this arrangement, which is as surely that of God's own choice, as the word of God is true, be fairly and honestly carried out, and the Gospel will be found fraught with rich bless-

ings, directly bearing on the outward condition of society. Let it be frustrated by covetous niggardliness in the execution, or wantonly disobeyed, and it will be found, not that the Gospel or Church of CHRIST is thereby stifled or circumscribed, but that it is made an instrument of vengeance on the system with which it is brought into collision—a stone hewed out without hands to overturn and crush all before it.

But I forget myself: it is my present business to narrate, not teach.

Beside the vacancies already mentioned, others must speedily occur, resulting from the same causes, unless a different and truer estimate of their interest and duty should gain currency among our laity. Nor is it only in vacancies that the evil is felt. Inadequate provision for the maintenance of ministers in single parishes has led to their association. Pluralism, with all its evils, of non-residency and irregular ministration, is the result. A minister, with the sparse population of two extensive parishes to oversee and feed in the daily round of pastoral duty, and with two or more (in one instance it is *five*;) places of worship, often far apart, to supply in his public ministrations, is burdened beyond the power of man, and sinks, physically, intellectually, and spiritually, under the cruel load. The people rarely blest with the presence of a man of God among them at their fireside, and during much of the year most precariously and irregularly supplied with the services of the sanctuary, lose ground day by day. They are open to the incursions of false doctrine, heresy and schism, from any quarter, in any form: they lapse daily more and more into hardness of heart and contempt of the word and commandment of their God.

In a lesser degree this is the case in some of our larger parishes, where two or more places of worship, several miles apart, preclude the minister from officiating in each more frequently than on alternate Lord'-days. A stormy Sunday, or deep roads, on the service day, may hinder a whole congregation from assemb-

ling, and thus the fortnight becomes a month, or even, by a repetition of the hindrance, six weeks or eight. At last, when weather and roads permit the use of the rare privilege, some one of the thousand accidents to which a family is liable occurs, and a household, already so long shut out from the privileges of the sanctuary, is consigned to another long period of isolation. Every recurrence of such privation has a tendency to lessen the sense of loss, and make the sufferers more willing to acquiesce in its endurance for a slight reason, or none at all, on the next occasion. Thus children are brought up, and servants suffered to live, in a course of irreligious desecration of the Sabbaths of the Lord, or most imperfect attempts to substitute their mere observance as a day of rest, for their religious use. What can come of this but total godlessness and unbelief? or at best, a mere heartless, aimless profession of adherence to a Gospel neither understood nor embraced, and allegiance to a Saviour neither known, nor obeyed, nor loved?

I am well aware, and heartily thank God for the assurance, that these evils, still so rife among us, are on the decrease. No longer ago than 1826, the committee of the Convention of that year on the state of the Church, in an able and earnest representation of this matter, reported fourteen parishes, containing more than twice as many places of worship, as then vacant; and there were at that time at least as many among the filled parishes associated two or more under a single minister as now. Since then five new parishes have been formed by division, and twelve new churches by incorporation, as independent congregations. Of the whole eighty-three parishes and churches now existing, only eight are at this moment vacant; (one with a prospect of immediate supply;) and of those only three are entirely destitute of even occasional ministerial services. Beside these, there are nine cases of association of two parishes, or a parish and a church, under one minister; and at least nine cases of parishes having two or more places of worship, and sufficiently populous and extensive to

require the services of two ministers, but having only one. Some of these, in the opinion of all but themselves, are abundantly able to divide, and well maintain two independent pastors, were they but duly sensible of their own true interests. Still, lamentable as it is, to have only *eighteen* clergymen, (some poorly enough, some not at all, maintained by the people among whom they labor,) at work, where *forty-four* would find full employment,—lamentable as this is, our condition even in this respect has evidently much improved, and there is some encouragement to hope for progressive improvement. The faithful labors of our increasing band of clergy (and I bless God I can most honestly say, they *are* eminently faithful and successful,) are arousing the laity to a juster sense of the value of the word and ordinances. Interest is felt and expressed where none previously existed. Efforts are making in quarters where they could hardly have been hoped for. Though our works be yet so far from perfect before God, the number is multiplying among us of those who are watchful to strengthen the things which remain and are ready to die.

Another consideration I will mention, not as our excuse for the past, or for present deficiencies, but as our encouragement for the future. Much effort that might, and no doubt would readily have been expended in the maintenance of a settled ministry, has been directed to the provision of places of worship where a ministry of any kind, settled or itinerant, paid or voluntary, might officiate. Within the past twenty years, there have been thirty-eight houses of God consecrated to His service in the diocese—nine in the last two years: and though I cannot speak with precision on that point, my impression is that nearly as many more have been enlarged or repaired, at an expense not less than half as great. In three of the congregations now vacant, very heavy outlays have been made in this way, within the last five years—heavy, I mean, speaking as men speak when they talk of their outlays for religious purposes; but light indeed, com-

pared with what, in ages past, the same numbers, with the same means, would have thought themselves happy to contribute for the glory of God, in the beauty of holiness in His worship. Nevertheless, the expenses, such as they are, that have been incurred in church building and repairing, warrant us to look for increase, and large increase, in the support of the ministry, in the congregations now no longer called on to bear that preliminary burthen. They who have built forty churches, and their children, may be safely counted on for the maintenance of the worship which is their only use. Faithfully let us labor, brethren of the clergy, and faithfully pray, and we have no reason to be discouraged, though temporary difficulties press. There are visible fruits among us and around us, of a growing love for the court of the Lord's house, and plain indications of an increasing effusion of His Spirit to make the people willing-hearted for His work, in all its forms.

One of those forms, the support of missionaries within and without the Diocese, after having brought it before the Convention in various parts of my last Address, without action by that body, I conceived myself bound to present to the Diocese, in a Pastoral Letter, issued in the month of August last. After a brief statement of the need and reasons for increasing, or rather setting a-foot, contributions for missionary purposes throughout the Diocese, I therein recommended the practice of weekly collections (wherever services are held so often) with the use of the Offertory as provided in the Communion Office; the contributions to be periodically forwarded to the Treasurer of the former Missionary Society of the Diocese. I am not accurately informed as to the number of congregations in which my recommendation has been observed, nor as to the amount contributed for diocesan and other missions. The Executive Committee and Officers of a Missionary Society once organized by the Diocesan Convention, but for some time past wholly inactive, were requested by me to act as a Board of Missions for the receipt and disbursement of whatever might be contributed, under the existing rules of the

Society which they represent. Accordingly, they have, at my nomination, appointed the Rev. Messrs. Kehler and Harris, missionaries, and maintained them respectively, the one since August last, in Allegany county, at the Savage Works and parts adjacent; the other since January, in Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county, a station which I presented to the notice of the last Convention. Both stations were adopted at my recommendation. The Committee have also contributed one-half of his support for the last six months, to the Rector of the very feeble congregation at Frostburg. Even with this help, I fear that under the pressure of the times the members of that congregation will be unable to sustain their pastor, and after all their efforts, must close the neat little temporary chapel which, with praiseworthy spirit, they have fitted up for the worship of God and residence of His minister. Although the maintenance of two missionaries and partial support of a third laborer in the field is some improvement on the inaction of the year or two preceding, I will own I am disappointed, in some degree, in the result of the appeal. To some among my brethren of the clergy I cannot render adequate thanks for the hearty untiring zeal, and ready uncompromising promptitude they have shown in carrying out my recommendation; and in every such instance the result has more than equalled my expectations. But in other cases, I fear difficulties which were not unforeseen when I made the request, have been allowed to overweigh the admitted *need* of *some* action, and *expediency* of *united* and *general* action. No legislation, no direction, can provide against the obstacles to be encountered in the support of missions, general and diocesan. Every plan will be open to its peculiar objections, and those objections will derive force from the natural reluctancy of congregations to give, and ministers to ask, so long as we continue devoid, or but very partially and imperfectly possessed, of that *missionary spirit*, which is the very spirit of the Gospel. We need greatly, everywhere, strenuous efforts to awaken and extend that spirit.

At the present moment, the faint glimmer which had manifested itself in the Church throughout this country seems to be obscured and threatening extinction. May God in His mercy avert so terrible a curse! Great indeed as our sinfulness has been, in neglect and contempt of the precious privileges we enjoy, humbly let us trust that it has not been so great as to bring upon us so bitter a punishment!

Our Diocesan Missionary operations need your attention; and while I earnestly solicit it, I beg leave to suggest the expediency of giving them a more church-like form, by doing away with the defunct Missionary Association, and making what is now the Executive Committee (if thought proper, under its present laws of action) a Board, appointed directly by the Convention, and responsible thereto. As such (for it virtually is so now) I contemplated it in my Pastoral Letter, and as such it has been operating during the half year since.

But not our Diocesan Missions alone demand attention. The present condition of the General Missions of the Church, both Domestic and Foreign, claims not the mere sympathies, but the immediate, the efficient, the energetic action of us all. Some attention to the published acknowledgments of the Treasurers makes me happy in the belief that Maryland, in proportion to her members and means, has done as much as any of her sister Dioceses. But none have done what they might, and what they ought: and the delinquency, be it partial or general, threatens ruin to our operations at home and abroad, just when the buds of hope are beginning to blow, and the germ of rich fruits to be disclosed. I *know*, by my intercourse with clergy and laity throughout the Diocese, that the general missionary operations of the Church are reacting strongly on every point at home to quicken, invigorate, and deepen every wholesome principle and feeling. How much of our growth for the last seven years we owe to the new position taken by the Church, as such, in 1835, God only knows: but I express a deliberate conviction,

formed on the closest and most extensive scrutiny I have been able to institute, in affirming that in very large proportion we are indebted to the reflex influence of missionary exertions on those who make them for the bounds and leaps that our body has been making, and yet does make, in its onward progress. As trustees of the Church in Maryland, then, I commend to your attention, as means of usefulness in *your own* sphere, for which *you* are accountable to God, the efforts of our whole Church to extend herself in the several weaker dioceses, in the western wilds, in the kindred community of Texas, in much-injured Africa, and in the farthest east. For our intercourse with the Eastern Churches in Greece, Turkey and Persia, it is a matter so plainly of Christian duty to ourselves and them to leave untried no effort to brighten again the chain of brotherly love and kindness so long kept dim, that there is cause to pity equally the intellect and heart of him who fails to perceive both the obligation and the policy of the undertaking.

In passing from the subject of missions, let me dwell for a moment on the kindred duty of diffusing religious knowledge and the means of worship, by the provision and distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books, and Religious Tracts. The zealous, efficient and highly useful Female Tract Society of St. Paul's Church, and the Prayer Book and Homily Society of Maryland, both in this city, have made themselves and their works well known throughout the Diocese by the free extension of their distributions wherever needed. When I came among you, I was well furnished for my new charge with supplies of Bibles, Testaments, Prayer Books and Tracts, by the unasked liberality of the New York Bible and Common Prayer Book, and Tract Societies. Among my earliest cares was to endeavour the provision for the continuance of such aids in the discharge of my duties, by similar societies among ourselves. In part, I was successful. The Prayer Book and Homily Society consented to re-assume its general character, by enlarging its



management so as to elect an equal number of Trustees from each of the congregations of Baltimore, to continue and increase the extension of its distribution throughout the Diocese, and to add the publication and distribution of Religious Tracts to its professed design. For my part, I proffered to present it as a diocesan organ for such purposes, wherever I might be called in the discharge of my official functions, and cause collections to be made in aid of its funds on all such occasions. This has been done, to the extent of enabling the society to meet all demands for Prayer Books, but not as yet to commence the publication or distribution of Tracts. My liberal supply of the latter from New York is not yet quite exhausted, but situated as we are, in one of the strong holds of the Romish schism, and with almost every variety of modern sectarianism pullulating around us, I find the need of attention to the dissemination of clear views of truth and error by the means of Tracts, extremely pressing. I doubt whether, with reference to those that are without, we can do better service to God in our generation than by the circulation of sound, earnest, faithful presentations of religious truth in the form of Tracts. How shall we provide for it? Either by more general and effective co-operation with the society now existing; or by making this, as it might very properly be made, a branch of the work of the Church itself, by appointing a Board to provide for the distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books, Homilies and Tracts, under the Convention, and accountable to it. I leave it to your wisdom how to determine this point, but hope that it will not be wholly overlooked.

I proceed with the required account of my official duties, in which I will endeavor to be brief.

An affection of the voice under which I was laboring at the last Convention, continued for some time, hindering any public exercise of the ministry. During that time, I attended the meetings of the Board of Missions in Philadelphia, on the 16th, 17th, and 18th of June; of the Board of Trustees of the

General Theological Seminary in New York, on the 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th, and 25th of June; and of the Board of Managers of the General Sunday School Union, in the same city, on the 21st of that month.

On the 5th of August, as directed by the Convention, I signed and sealed the act of acceptance of the act of the General Assembly of Maryland, incorporating the Convention for the purpose of enabling it to hold the Episcopal Fund of the Diocese.

On the 11th of August I began a short visitation in Washington and Allegany counties; on the 12th, baptized four infants, and addressed the candidates for confirmation in St. John's Church, Hagerstown; on the 13th, preached in the Presbyterian meeting house, at Williamsport; on the tenth Sunday after Trinity, preached, confirmed twenty-three persons, and administered the Holy Communion in St. John's Church, Hagerstown, in the morning; catechised the children of the congregation in the afternoon; and preached again in the evening; on the 20th, preached in the evening in Emmanuel Church, Cumberland; on the 21st, in the same church, preached in the morning, and again in the evening; on the eleventh Sunday after Trinity, in the same church, in the morning, preached, admitted to the Holy Order of Priests, the Rev. Sappington W. Crampton, Deacon, presented by the Rev. Mr. L. H. Johns, and to that of Deacon, Mr. John Kehler, presented by the Rev. Mr. Harris, and administered the Holy Communion; in the evening after a brief address to the congregation, confirmed five persons; on the 23d, in the chapel of St. Paul's Church, Frostburg, in the morning, preached, baptized an infant, confirmed eight persons, and administered the Holy Communion, and in the afternoon preached again, and administered the office of confirmation to one person, privately; on the 24th, at the Savage Works, read morning prayer and preached, in the Pattern house, to a small congregation.

On the thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, I consecrated Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county. This neat

building has been erected at the sole charge of the Messrs. Elliotts, proprietors of the Forge, and by them presented, together with two acres of ground adjoining, to the congregation gathered together by the zeal and industry of the Rev. Mr. Piggott, and after incorporation, admitted into union with the last Convention. During the missionary labors of Mr. Piggott at this station, he has been in part maintained by two of the congregations in Baltimore, who may rightfully rejoice in his success, as a fruit of their truly christian benevolence. After the consecration of the chapel I preached, confirmed nine persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist.

September the 11th, at the request of the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Pinkney, I visited Zion Parish, Prince George county; and at St. Mark's Chapel, (commonly called the 'Paint Church') in the morning preached, and in the evening read evening prayer, and made a short address to the congregation, after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Marbury. The next day, the thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, at the same church, in the morning, I preached, confirmed ten persons, and administered the Lord's Supper; in the evening, I preached again.

On Friday, September the 17th, being an Ember day, I read morning prayer and preached in St. John's Church, Washington; Saturday the 18th, an Ember day, I preached in the Rock Creek Church. The confirmation and communion, which were to have been administered on this occasion, were hindered by the miscarriage of a message from the Rector, who was absent on account of a death in his family. That evening, at the house of the Rev. Mr. Hawley, I held a convocation of Presbyters for the examination of three candidates for Priest's orders. The next day, the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, in St. John's Church, Washington, I preached, ordained to the Holy Order of Priests the Rev. James Abercombie, the Rev. Thomas B. Flower, and the Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, Deacons, and administered the Holy Communion. The candidates were presented by the Rev. Dr.

Crusé, of St. Paul's College, Flushing, New York; he having assisted at their examination. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached, and confirmed thirteen persons, in St. John's Church; and at night, I preached in Trinity Church. The 20th, in the afternoon, I preached in St. John's Church, Georgetown, and confirmed three persons; in the evening, I preached in Christ's Church, Georgetown, and confirmed fifteen persons.

September 29th, I attended, at New York, a committee of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary. October the fifth, I attended a meeting of that Board, in the same city. October the sixth, I attended in my place at the opening of the twenty-first General Convention of the Church, and from that day to the 19th inclusive, was every day, Sundays excepted, occupied in the sessions of the General Convention, and meetings of the Board of Missions, and of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary. On the nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, I assisted in a confirmation held by the Bishop of New Jersey, in Trinity Church, Newark, taking part in the communion service.

Of the doings of the General Convention, their wide publication in the news-papers, and by the distribution of the journal, renders it unnecessary that I should undertake to give you any information. Of what was *not* done, I would rather be silent. For the cordial affection, and entire absence of the spirit of party, that characterised this great assembly of the Church, we cannot be too thankful. We have nothing to fear, while we continue, however differing in our views of policy and expediency, so entirely to agree in principle, and love and trust one another.

On Thursday, November the 4th, being the day set apart by the Church for thanksgiving to Almighty God for the fruits of the earth, I consecrated to His service the new Church of the Ascension in Baltimore city: having great joy in thus adding, at last, a *fifth* to our hallowed edifices in that city. Much praise is due to St. Peter's Church and its excellent Rector for the un-

tiring liberality and persevering care with which they have nursed up this infant sister so far on its way to an adult state of independence. To my great satisfaction, the ladies of St. Paul's Church, with some assistance from the congregation generally, have commenced a similar enterprise; and a congregation worshipping in a hired room in Franklin street, with a flourishing Sunday school, under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Forbes, bids fair to reward the faith and zeal of all concerned, by the addition of another to our too few churches in the metropolis. Christ Church, too, is doing its share in the work of church extension; and by its indefatigable assistant minister, not only supplying the destitute colored congregation of St. James with the ministrations of the Gospel, but superintending one of the largest Sunday Schools in the city, gathering a congregation in the north-eastern part of the city, and preparing to erect an edifice for the accommodation of both school and congregation. These are signs of life in which we may well rejoice, if we do it in fear and trembling, rather taking shame that they are so few and feeble, than feeling inclined to boast.

On the twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity, at the request of the Rector of Sherwood Chapel, in the morning I preached there, confirmed four persons, administered the Lord's Supper; and the in afternoon, read evening prayer, baptized the infant daughter of the Rector, and preached again. The next day, November 20th, we visited St. John's Church, Baltimore county, but found no congregation, although an appointment had been made for confirmation and communion. A storm of rain, and the bad condition of the roads, had no doubt induced the members of the congregation to suppose that we would not come.

November 27th, I visited Elkton, at the request of the Vestries of that and the adjoining parish of St. Mary Anne, for the purpose of instituting the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough into the Rectorship of those parishes. Accordingly, on the next day, the first Sunday in Advent, in the morning, I instituted him Rector of Trinity Church, Elkton, preaching on the occasion, and

administering confirmation to eight persons; in the afternoon, I preached again. On the 27th, I instituted Mr. Goldsborough, Rector of St. Mary Anne's, North East, preaching on the occasion. On St. Andrew's day, I consecrated the new church of St. Augustine, Bohemia, Cecil county, preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion. This feeble congregation greatly needs, and richly deserves help, from more favored brethren. A dissolution of the connexion between it and Middletown, in Delaware, has thrown its worthy and useful minister entirely upon the handful of worshippers who have already exerted themselves to the utmost in providing their small but neat house of worship. How it will be possible for them to retain the services of their clergyman, without assistance from abroad, I know not.

On the evening of the third Sunday in Advent, I attended a joint meeting of the congregations in Baltimore, at St. Paul's Church, called to receive the statements of the agents of the two committees of the Board of Missions, the Rev. Messrs. Carder and Balch. A very numerous attendance afforded a favorable opportunity to remind our brethren of their duty and privilege in the missionary work, which I trust was not wholly lost—I had preached on the same subject to a partial attendance of the congregations of St. Paul's, St. Peter's, and Christ Churches, in St. Paul's Church in the afternoon of the same day.

The fourth Sunday in Advent, being ordination Sunday, in the morning I preached in St. John's Church, Hagerstown, admitted the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, Deacon, presented by the Rev. Mr. Owen, to the Holy Order of Priests, and administered the Lord's Supper; in the evening, I preached again. On St. Thomas' day, in the same church, I instituted the Rev. Mr. Lyman to the Rectorship, preaching on the occasion. On Christmas day, in the same church, I preached and administered the Holy Communion; and on the next day, Sunday, in the same church, preached again, morning and evening.

On the second Sunday in Lent, being the next ordination Sunday, in Sherwood Chapel, in the morning, I preached, admitted the Rev. George F. Worthington, Deacon, to the holy order of Priests, the Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides presenting him, and administered the Holy Communion; in the afternoon, I preached again. The fourth Sunday in Lent, in the morning, in Christ Church, Washington, I preached, confirmed five persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. On this occasion it was my melancholy office to publish the sentence of degradation from the ministry of Mr. John Alberger, formerly a Deacon of this Diocese, who by letter to me, had renounced at once the ministry and our holy faith. I had consulted a council of Presbyters, on some peculiar features in the case, before proceeding to this extremity. The publicity of the act was on principle, it being my belief that the exercise of Holy Orders ought not to be inhibited with less solemnity than that with which they are conferred. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached to a very large congregation, in an upper room, known as the Apollo Hall, in Washington. The Rev. Mr. French, as a city missionary, is gathering a congregation, which is likely soon to grow into a fourth church, in that city. He is laboring in that good work zealously, painfully, and thus far most successfully. In the evening, I preached again, in Trinity Church, and confirmed fifty-four persons, five of whom were from the city mission congregation, and two from St. John's.

On the sixth Sunday in Lent, in Christ Church, Baltimore, I preached and confirmed fifty-three persons, in the morning; in the Ascension Church, I preached, and confirmed twelve persons in the afternoon; and in St. Peter's Church, I preached and confirmed thirty-nine persons at night.

On Easter day, I preached, and administered the Holy Communion in St. Barnabas' Church, Queen Ann Parish, Prince George county. In the same church, on Easter Monday, I preached and confirmed three persons. On Easter Tuesday, I

consecrated the chapel of the Holy Trinity, a substantial and very neatly finished brick edifice, occupying the site of what was formerly known as Henderson's Chapel, in Queen Ann parish. I preached on the occasion, confirmed three persons, and administered the Lord's Supper.

On the 31st of March, I set out on a short visitation in Montgomery and Frederick counties: On the 1st of April, in St. Bartholomew's Church, Montgomery county, preached, and confirmed nine persons; on the 2d, in the same church, preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Holy Communion; on the first Sunday after Easter, in Christ Church, Rockville, in the morning, preached, confirmed nine persons, and administered the Lord's Supper; in the evening, preached again; on the fourth, in the same church, read morning prayer, and preached again; in the 5th, in St. Peter's Church, Montgomery county, preached both morning and afternoon; on the 6th, in the same church, preached, confirmed fourteen persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist; on the 7th, in Zion Church, Zion Parish, Frederick county, in the morning, I read morning prayer, and preached; in the afternoon, read evening prayer, baptized an adult, and preached again; on the 8th, in the same church, preached, confirmed six persons, and administered the Holy Communion.

On the 15th of April, in the evening, I preached at St. John's Church, Washington, and enjoyed the unexpected and highly prized advantage of the company of Mar Johannan, Bishop of Oroomia, of the communion of the Syrian Churches, commonly known as the Nestorians, whom it was my happiness to introduce to the congregation on that occasion as a representative of one of the branches of the apostolical succession, which by its isolated and remote position has been kept least changed by the lapse of ages and vicissitudes of empires, of any now known to exist. The taint of heresy, if ever any might have been justly charged against those churches, has been long ago renounced; schismati-



the Rev. Mr. Jones, of Chester Parish, who unhesitatingly added to his own duties the charge of the Rectorship of this resuscitated parish, giving it a weekly service, and much of his attention and care beside, looking only to his Master for reward; and for the cheerfulness with which his liberal-minded people consented to share their pastor's oversight with their destitute neighbours, and in other ways helped effectually in their necessity; I feel bound to render this public acknowledgment. At St. Luke's, in the presence of a large congregation, I preached, confirmed four persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist. In the evening of the same day I preached in Chester Parish Church, Chestertown, and confirmed nine persons. On the next morning, being the Festival of St. Mark, in the same church, I preached again, held another confirmation of three persons, and administered the Lord's Supper.

On the 27th of April, I attended a meeting of a Committee of the Board of Missions, for the prosecution of the important inquiries instituted at the last meeting of the Board, in the city of New York.

On the Sunday after Ascension Day, in Christ Church, Harford county, in the morning I preached and administered Holy Communion; and, in the afternoon, read evening prayer, baptized an adult and an infant, preached again, and confirmed eleven persons.

On Whitsunday, in the morning, I preached in St. Andrew's Church, in this city, confirmed twenty-seven persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon, I enjoyed the pleasure of meeting my brethren the clergy of the city, and the Sunday School teachers and scholars of their several congregations, assembled for joint worship in St. Paul's Church. On this occasion I delivered a brief address, principally directed to the children. This revival of a wholesome practice, suffered to lapse since the Episcopate of Bishop Kemp, is the first fruit of a Union of the Sunday Schools of this city, (now eight in number, com-

prising some nine hundred scholars,) which has been organized during the past winter. I anticipate from it many good results: not among the least, that of bringing those engaged in this labor of love more frequently together, and thus qualifying and disposing them more cordially to co-operate in all good works as joint members of one spiritual body.

On Trinity Sunday, in the morning, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, I read morning prayer, preached and ordained the Rev. John Kehler, Deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests, the Rev. Matthias L. Forbes presenting him.

Beside these official ministrations, I have read prayers and preached occasionally in the several churches in this city, and in some in other Dioceses; have married two couples; and have baptized one adult and two infants, in addition to those already mentioned. In my visitations and confirmations, I have almost always had occasion to address the congregation or the candidates for confirmation, and sometimes both, or more than once on the same occasion. This practice I now record, once for all.

My visitations during the past year have been somewhat limited, by the necessity for devoting much of my time to correspondence on the business of the parishes, and to arrangements for the establishment and provision of diocesan and other schools. The general business of the Church, too, has drawn largely on my time and attention.

The occasions of confirmation have been 35, in which 396 persons have been confirmed. Of these, although not a due, yet a rather unusual proportion has been males: and of all I can adopt, with heart-felt thankfulness to God for the occasion, the language once used in reference to the same subject, by my venerable predecessor: "I have been forcibly struck with the seriousness and solemnity with which they approached the ordinance. It is obviously not with them considered a mere ceremony, but a solemn dedication of the heart and life to the Lord. Notwithstanding the care that has been taken to admit none to the impo-

sition of hands, but those who were duly qualified; yet we find that the number of recipients has increased. This evidently shows, that a relaxed discipline is not necessary to advance the cause of religion in the Church." I would add another encouraging circumstance, that among the confirmations held in the past year, several have been the second in the respective congregations within a year, or very little more, and in almost every instance more numerous than the first. A very large proportion has consisted of persons of adult, and even advanced age.

The present candidates for holy orders are Jeremiah M. Rhodes, (concerning whom I take this opportunity of asking for information, not having heard of him since my entrance into the Diocese;) Eli Stokes, (a colored man;) John H. Chew, John Crosdale, John H. Bosley, Samuel J. Evans, Samuel R. Gordon, Charles Tucker, George A. Leakin, Alexander J. Berger, Dwight E. Lyman, Francis A. Baker, Richard C. Hall, Meyer Lewen, James C. Tracey, and Cyrus Waters, in all, sixteen. Of these the last six have been admitted within the conventional year. William J. Rooker has been dismissed to the Diocese of Virginia. The name of Martin L. Rogers has been erased from the list, at his own request. Messrs. Evans, Gordon and Hall are pursuing their studies at the General Theological Seminary; and Mr. Chew is on leave of absence from that institution, on account of ill-health. Messrs. Berger and Leakin are at the Theological Seminary of Virginia. Beside the admitted candidates, five other persons have formally notified me of their intention to become such; making the number now in preparation for orders in the diocese twenty-one.

John H. Chew, Alexander J. Berger, Meyer Lewen, John Crosdale, Charles Tucker, and Francis A. Baker, candidates for orders, have received special licenses to act as Lay Readers. Similar licenses have been granted to Edward T. Walker, Owen E. Shannon, and Alfred B. Beach, candidates for orders in other

dioceses, their respective Bishops consenting thereto; and to John Thomas, Samuel Ridout, Samuel Comegys, and William G. Ridgely, lay-communicants of this diocese, in good standing. It is to be regretted, that this provision of the Church is not more frequently turned to account for the purpose of maintaining regular public worship in Churches, either entirely vacant or enjoying only part of the services of a clergyman.

The ordinations of two deacons, and seven presbyters, have been already reported among my official doings; as have also the degradation of one deacon, and the consecrations of three Churches and two Chapels.

I have received notice from the Bishop of Tennessee, of the degradation of Albert A. Muller, and of Jehu Jones, Presbyters; from the Bishop of North Carolina, of that of John A. Backhouse, Presbyter; and from the Bishop of South Carolina, of that of Patrick H. Folker, Presbyter.

The changes in the clergy of the Diocese have been the removal of the Rev. John Delaplane, by death; and of the Rev. Zachariah H. Goldsmith, by letters dimissory to the Missionary Bishop of Iowa; and the addition to our number of the Rev. William A. Harris, by letters dimissory from the acting Bishop of Alabama; of the Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, the Rev. Samuel Buel, and the Rev. Matthew L. Forbes, from the Diocese of Pennsylvania; of the Rev. Gordon Winslow, from that of Western New York; of the Rev. Russell Trevett, Deacon, from that of New York; of the Rev. Thomas Barrow, from that of Ohio; of the Rev. John P. Bausman, from that of Delaware; and of the Rev. John W. French, from the Eastern Diocese; in all nine: making, with the two ordinations, the present number of the clergy, after one death, one removal, and one degradation, 83. Mr. Harris is settled as Rector of Rock Creek Parish, in the District of Columbia; Mr. Whitesides is conjoined, as head of the family, with the Rev. Mr. Phillips, in the charge of the Female School at Barleywood; Mr. Buel is settled as Rector

of Emmanuel Parish, Cumberland; Mr. Forbes is officiating as city Missionary in Baltimore, in the new congregation of Mount Calvary; Mr. Winslow has succeeded the late Rev. Dr. McElhinney, as Rector of St. Ann's, Annapolis; Mr. Trevett officiates as assistant minister in St. John's Parish, Washington county; Mr. Barrow teaches a school in St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county; Mr. Bausman continues in his charge of St. Augustine's Parish, Cecil county, having relinquished his charge in Delaware; and Mr. French officiates as city Missionary in Washington.

Beside these, the following changes have taken place. The Rev. Thomas Bayne has resigned the charge of Dorchester Parish, which the great distance of his residence rendered almost nominal. The Rev. Thomas Billopp has resigned the Rectorship of King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county, and accepted a call to the joint charge of St. George's Parish, Spesusizæ, and St. John's Church, Havre-de-Grace, Harford county. The Rev. Olcott Bulkley, who from being Assistant Minister of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county, became Rector of St. Paul's Parish, in the same county, on its constitution by the last Convention, has accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. Mark's Parish, which he holds conjointly with that of St. Paul's. The Rev. Frederick W. Boyd has resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Parish, Kent county, for reasons already stated. The Rev. Clement M. Butler has resigned the Assistant Ministership of Christ Church, Baltimore, and accepted the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Georgetown. The Rev. John Claxton has resigned the Rectorship of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, and accepted the Principalship of Charlotte Hall Academy, in the same county. The Rev. Henry Crosdale has resigned the Rectorship of Coventry Parish, Somerset county, (in which Mr. John Crosdale now officiates as Lay Reader,) and confines himself to the charge of Somerset Parish. The Rev. Samuel C. Davis has resigned the Rectorship of All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county, and accepted that of William and Mary Parish, Charles county. The Rev.

Robert Lloyd Goldsborough has resigned the charge of St. George's Parish, Spesusiae, and St. John's Church, Havre-de-Grace, and accepted the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Elkton, together with that of St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil county. The Rev. Matthias Harris has resigned the charge of Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county, and officiates as Missionary in Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county. The Rev. Alfred Holmead has resigned the Rectorship of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, and removed to Ellicott's Mills, where he is establishing a school for boys, while he fills the office of Chaplain in the Patapsco Female Institute, and officiates in the village of Ellicott's Mills, with the view of gathering a new congregation there. The Rev. John W. Hoffman has resigned the charge of William and Mary Parish, Charles county, and is at present residing for a season in Philadelphia, whither his affairs imperatively called him. The Rev. Clement F. Jones has added to the charge of Chester Parish, the Rectorship of St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne county. The Rev. John H. Kehler, Deacon, is officiating as Missionary in Allegany county. The Rev. Alexander M. Marbury has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Georgetown, and accepted that of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, in Prince George and Charles counties. The Rev. John N. McJilton, Deacon, is most laboriously and worthily engaged as Assistant Minister of Christ Church and city Missionary, Baltimore, to which he spontaneously adds the onerous duty of the charge of St. James' colored church. The Rev. Henry Major, having resigned the charge of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties, on account of ill-health, is at present acting as Principal of the Hannah Moore Female Academy, near Reisterstown. The Rev. Charles E. Pleasants has resigned the Rectorship of Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, and accepted that of All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county. The Rev. John J. Robertson, D. D. has resigned his station as Missionary to Constantinople, and is understood to be on his return to this country.

“ ‘As it regards the number of schools which you propose to establish in our diocese, under the auspices of the church, I see no reason to dissent from you. The Church could no doubt support a greater number: nor does it appear, that five to me, for the whole diocese, will meet the wants of her members. Still it is better to make the experiment on a small scale, and should it be attended with success, the plan can afterwards be enlarged to any extent that may be deemed expedient.’ ”

“ 2dly. That these seminaries should occupy a more elevated rank than is usually assigned to academies, without rising to the position of colleges: that they should be of an intermediate character; so elementary and at the same time so advanced in their course of studies, as to furnish every facility for a tolerably extensive education, or qualify for one of the higher classes in our most approved colleges.

“ The gentleman whose sentiments have been already quoted, in alluding to this feature in the proposed plan observes, ‘my views also coincide with yours, on the course of instruction which should be adopted in the proposed school, and on the rank which they should hold among the seminaries of our country. In most of our academies, the course of instruction is exceedingly defective; scarcely anything is taught in them except a little Greek and Latin, and the mere elements of arithmetic and mathematics. They afford no mental training, establish no correct habits of thinking, and in addition to this, the government of many of them is so bad, their discipline is so miserably inefficient, that the time spent at them is often worse than wasted.

“ ‘Nor is the case much better with our colleges. They make great professions on paper, and when a student enters any one of them, he expects to encounter a formidable array of languages and sciences, and so he does: but from his own previous very imperfect preparation; and from the shortness of the period allotted for his college course, and the consequent superficial manner in which he is compelled to run over his studies, he comes away a perfect master of scarcely a single one of the branches to which his attention was directed. These are great evils—evils which have had a most pernicious influence on the learning of our country; and the only way in which they can be corrected is, by establishing institutions with less pretensions, but better fitted to afford real profound mental culture—institutions in which the proper healthy development of the intellectual and moral powers, and not a diploma will be regarded as the main object of education; and I may add, institutions in which religion will not hold a subordinate rank, or perhaps no rank at all, among the branches taught, but will be placed upon

that high, commanding ground, to which it is entitled in every seminary in a christian country.' ”

“The expense to be incurred in making an experiment with one seminary, to be located in the vicinity of Baltimore, would be trifling, and could easily be met, provided the Church would cordially unite in the effort.

“It has been calculated that one hundred thousand dollars have been taken out of the state in one year, to defray the expense of educating Maryland youth in the schools and colleges of other states ; if we had seminaries such as have been proposed, who can doubt that they would be sustained ?

“The expense of education is much enhanced by travelling, and hence, as the charges at our most approved schools are considerably advanced, much anxiety pervades the minds of parents whose pecuniary resources are moderate : and yet, never was there an age when the importance of education was more appreciated : it is a subject of increasing interest throughout our whole country, and with every denomination of christians.

“Such is the want, even in the city of Baltimore, of a seminary of learning of an elevated intellectual character, and of a decided christian influence, that it is highly probable such an institution would be filled to overflowing in less than a twelve month, and instead of requiring the fostering care of the Church, would soon become a source of revenue. Money would not so much be wanted as men of lofty intellectual and moral worth, to assume the charge of these nurseries of sound learning and religion.”

“The chief difficulty would attend the commencement of this work, but if it could be begun in a plain and unostentatious manner, avoiding all unnecessary expense in the erection of buildings and the collection of apparatus and libraries : relying more upon the excellency of its intellectual and moral arrangements, and the character of its professors and teachers, than upon any display of architecture or extensive courses of study ; above all, could the plan conciliate the kind regards, and command the united prayers and patronage of the clergy and laity of the diocese, it would certainly succeed.”

By these unanswerable reasons, I was led to engage in the establishment of a Diocesan School, in a way very unexpectedly opened to me, as in part detailed in my address to the last Convention. An opportunity offered, of obtaining, in a most eligible locality, the necessary edifice, the provision of which your committee in 1837 evidently regarded as a chief preliminary difficulty. With this step, I was able to combine an



arrangement securing what I, and I doubt not, you, regard as the very best management our Church and country can afford, for the contemplated school. The Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg, whose praise as a teacher needs not my tribute, entered heartily into our plans for Maryland, and at great sacrifices, consented to the removal hither of his tried associate as pupil and assistant, from the commencement of the school at Flushing, the Rev. Mr. Kerfoot, acting as Principal, under the constant advice of Dr. Muhlenberg; three other instructors trained at Flushing, are to be associated; and with them, I have been able to secure the services of a young clergyman, equalled by few of his standing in the country for sound scholarship, varied learning, and extensive reading, and of a candidate for orders, long personally known to me, and tried, as an additional instructor. To this corps of teachers I may safely call on the Diocese to pledge itself in recommending churchmen to entrust them with the most precious charge that men can devolve upon another, the education of their sons. It is no experiment that our school is to undertake, at the risk of injury to the first subjects. A system, the growth of years of study, labor, and experience, is to be transplanted in the full vigor of adult perfection, by those who have grown with its growth, and have been thoroughly moulded into its character and trained in all its workings. I have had full opportunity of observing the result of that system of training upon the youth who have shared its benefits, and can confidently testify that it is equalled by none within my knowledge; and a Professorship in our Theological Seminary, with close intimacy for years previously with the inmates of that institution, have in some degree qualified me to speak of the results of education in the several literary institutions of our country. Safely, therefore, and conscientiously, I can bespeak from the clergy and laity of the Diocese a united and hearty effort to bring the youth of our community within the influence of our contemplated school. Based on religion, and carried out in the strictest adherence to the formularies

of the Church, the education there to be given will bear comparison, in point of all secular advantages, with any to be obtained in our country.

But to secure this invaluable possession, the Diocese is now to be called on for the aid which in my last address I informed you would be needed, when the preliminary arrangement should be sufficiently advanced. The building is now in a state of thorough repair and preparation for the use of the school, \$3,500 having been judiciously and economically expended on it for that purpose. An additional purchase of land is absolutely needed, and to secure that, and complete the furnishment of the school, for which \$2,000 have been already subscribed by a few individuals in Baltimore, \$3,000 more is now requisite. This, it will be remembered, is the first and only contribution required of the Diocese, not only permanently to establish an institution of which it has long felt and recognized its need, but to secure the possession of a property that has cost nearly \$10,000, and is at this hour richly worth double that amount. I cannot suppose that a moment's hesitation will occur, as to the course of duty. Let prompt and efficient action testify your disposition with regard to this branch of our work, and, God blessing our endeavors, this beginning shall grow and spread into provision for the training of every child of the Church in Maryland in the way in which he should go, from earliest childhood to a grade of professional education higher (as there is room and need that it should be) than any yet common in our land. Thus shall *we*, for our part, undertake the duty expressly commended to our performance by the resolution of the late General Convention of the Church, "That the cause of Christian education, in connexion with the institutions of the Church, be recommended to the various Dioceses, to take such order therein as the circumstances of the respective Dioceses render expedient."

For Female Education, in the absence of means to provide a strictly diocesan institution, I have been able to make an advanta-

geous arrangement with the Trustees of the Patapsco Female Institute, and Mr. and Mrs. Phelps, late of Rahway, in New Jersey. The established reputation of Mrs. Phelps as the conductress of a female school, is a sufficient guarantee for the fitness of the Institute under her management to furnish a secular education of the very first pretensions. For the training of the pupils in the doctrine and worship of the Church, provision is made, by the daily ministrations and continual spiritual oversight and partial care of Mr. Holmead, as Chaplain. The hearty zeal with which he has entered on his duties in the large school already gathered in the Institute, promises the happiest results.

Beside our Diocesan School and the Female Institute, of which I am officially Visiter, I am thankful that it is in my power to mention other schools, as conducted on strictly religious principles, by able and zealous members of the Church. Such are the Female School at Barleywood, Frederick county, now or lately under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Phillips, aided by the Rev. Mr. Whitesides and his lady; the Female School at the Hannah Moore Academy, near Reisterstown, under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Major and his lady; the Select School for Boys, of well established reputation, in St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, under the care of the learned and faithful Rector of the Parish; the Parochial School of Sherwood Chapel, taught by a candidate for orders, under the supervision of the Rector; and the School for Boys, just established at Ellicott's Mills, by the Rev. Mr. Holmead, with the assistance of several candidates for orders. In these you may well rejoice, as among the fairest hopes of the Church of CHRIST. May their number and their fruits be multiplied, and those who labor in them abundantly rewarded!

For the use of the institutions and of others less strictly religious, but under the management of members of the Church, I have prepared and set forth an Office for the Use of Schools; so drawn up, I trust, that it can give just offence to no parents not hostile to all sound faith and true religion, while its tendency is

to nurture up the little ones who may be taught to use it, in the spirit of God's most holy fear, and in the love of His Holy Name and Word. I purpose, God willing, as I may have leisure, to follow it up with similar offices for Sunday Schools and Catechetical classes.

I have been frequently urged to adopt some channel of general communication with the diocese, by means of one or other of our religious journals. Some doubt about the tendency of religious newspapers generally, and utter dislike of the love and kindness occasionally assumed by some of the most widely circulated, have hitherto kept me silent upon the subject. But I find it needful, for the convenience of my brethren of the clergy and laity, as well as my own, to adopt, as "the means of notifying the admission of ministers among us," recommended to be employed by the 48th canon of 1832, and for the publication of such other ecclesiastical notices as may be required from time to time, some one of the periodicals of the Church. In doing so, I have no hesitation in fixing upon the *Banner of the Cross*, now published weekly, under the editorship of the Rev. Mr. Coleman, at Philadelphia; and do accordingly hereby recommend it to the clergy and parishes, as the recognised organ of official communication for all purposes of intelligence in this diocese.

There were other matters, brethren, which I had designed to bring before you at this time—but the length to which these statements have unexpectedly extended compels me to reserve them for a more convenient opportunity. May the Sanctifier of the faithful be present with us, to guide our councils and direct our doings, that with godly simplicity and sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God we may so resolve and act that in all things the testimony of CHRIST may be confirmed in us, and the coming of His kingdom hastened! Amen!

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland.*

Baltimore, May 24th, 1841.

On motion, it was unanimously *Resolved*, That the Bishop be respectfully requested to furnish the Secretary with a copy of his sermon at the opening of the Convention, for publication, and that if he comply, the sermon be printed with the Journal.

It was *Resolved*, That the Convention go into an election of the Standing Committee to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 27, 1842.

The Convention met at 9 o'clock. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. John Owen, and the lessons by the Rev. Samuel C. Davis.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to St. James' Hall, be referred to a committee of five.

The Hon. E. F. Chambers, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. G. L. Mackenheimer, the Rev. T. B. Lyman, and Wm. H. Groom, Esq. were appointed such committee.

On motion, *Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Missions, so much of it as relates to the providing of measures for the more extensive distribution of Bibles, Prayer Books, Homilies and Tracts,—and so much as relates to the establishment of institutions for the education of children under the direction of the Church,—with the exception of what relates to St. James' Hall,—be referred to three separate committees, who shall consider and report upon the subjects respectively committed to them, before the adjournment of this Convention.

The following gentlemen were appointed the

#### COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Rev. Dr. Henshaw, Rev. Mr. Pinckney, and Mr. Noah Ridgely.

The committees on distribution of Bibles, &c., and on Education, were not appointed, by an oversight of the Chair.

Leave of absence was asked and granted, for the Rev. Mr. Kehler, and Mr. Thomas Shriver.

Mr. James Hebb was appointed on the Committee on Accounts, in the place of Mr. Thomas Shriver.

The committee appointed to recommend to the Convention "what measures shall be adopted for the support of the Bishop for this year," reported as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the duty of suggesting measures necessary to increase the Episcopal fund and make it immediately available beg leave to report:

The subscriptions obtained by the late Dr. McElhiney were not placed in the hands of the Board of Trustees, and it is understood that his sudden death prevented his transcribing the several subscription papers, which had been used in the respective Parishes. The want of this general statement by which to ascertain the aggregate amount of subscriptions has embarrassed the proceedings of the Convention, and ought to be provided for. One of the resolutions now recommended is intended to effect this object.

The amount, it is believed, may be stated as not less than	\$48,000
The subscriptions since made amount to	11,367
Making a total sum of	<u>\$59,367</u>
From which must be deducted for expenses of agents an <i>estimated</i>	
sum of	1,000
Leaving the actual amount	<u>\$58,367</u>

The disastrous condition of the country in respect to pecuniary matters, and the consequent fluctuations in the affairs of persons engaged in business, will require an allowance of perhaps not less than twenty per cent. for losses which may be anticipated. Prior to the subscriptions taken by Dr. McElhiney, there was a small amount held by the Convention, which had been invested in securities, some of which are materially depreciated, and which it is believed may be estimated safely as now worth \$1506. The Board of Trustees regarding the direction of the resolutions of the last Convention as indicating a decided preference for the State Stock, had invested at an early period in that fund, the sum of \$7,754 45, which is now producing no interest. The result as will more readily appear by the following table is that the sum of \$40,245 55, remains as a capital; part in the hands of subscribers and bearing interest, part invested in active securities, and the residue paid or to be

paid during the convention, to be invested by the Board of Trustees, and may be regarded as producing at six per cent an annual sum of \$2,414 73.

Total of subscriptions, . . . . .	\$59,367 00
Add estimated value of old fund . . . . .	1,506 00
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	\$60,873 00
Deduct for expenses at sup. . . . .	\$1,000
Estimated loss 20 per cent. on amount of subscription, . . . . .	11,873
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	12,873 00
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Amount of Capital, . . . . .	\$49,000 00
Invested by Trustees in State Stock not now receiving interest, . . . . .	7,754 45
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Leaving the active capital, . . . . .	\$40,245 55
Which at 6 per cent. will yield, . . . . .	\$2,414 73
With active exertions this may be realized for the future.	

The most difficult portion of the duty adjudged to the Committee still remains.

The great delay in paying the interest on the subscriptions has made it necessary to anticipate receipts in supplying the necessary demands upon the fund, and at this time the sum paid on account of the Bishop's salary exceeds the amount actually received for interest by the sum of \$942 56  
And there will be due on the 17th June next, the further sum of 750 00

Making together the sum of \$1,692 56

To meet which there is now in hand, received this day on account of interest on subscription, about three hundred dollars, leaving a balance of nearly \$1400 to be provided for immediately.

The want of the subscription lists makes it impossible for the Committee to say how much is still due for interest unpaid by subscribers, but it is certainly less than sufficient to meet the large amount of arrearages. How to supply the deficiency is a question of no inconsiderable difficulty.

After much anxious consideration, the Committee recommend, that there be made an earnest effort to collect the balance still remaining unpaid of the temporary fund which the Convention of 1840 required to be raised, and of which several of the Parishes paid their full proportion, while others have paid nothing--and also to collect the unpaid interest on the subscriptions. These sums, if duly paid, would have prevented an excess of expenditure beyond the receipts, and ought to be collected by the most prompt means practicable.

For any balance then remaining the Committee are of opinion there will be no method so likely to be successful as another appeal to the liberality of individual members of the Church.

It is true the times are hard and money is scarce, but it is quite as true that the Churchmen of Maryland have never failed, when earnestly appealed to in behalf of her interests, to meet the demand. We believe their zeal has not abated, and relying on the deep interest felt in the object—an object so dear to the affections and so much approved by the judgment, of every Churchman in the Diocese, we doubt not the call will be responded to with the same generous liberality which has heretofore characterised them.

The Committee therefore recommend for adoption the following resolutions :

1st. That the Secretary of the Convention be requested to procure from the several Parishes, duplicates of the subscriptions made to the Episcopal fund.

2d. That agents be appointed by the Board of Trustees for such districts of the Diocese as they may deem proper, and on such terms as they may arrange, to collect the outstanding interest and instalments on the subscription lists, and to solicit subscriptions from those who have not yet contributed to the permanent or temporary funds respectively.

At 10 o'clock the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee. The gentlemen composing the committee last year were nominated, and the Rev. Mr. Harris and Noah Ridgely, Esqs., were appointed tellers, who reported the following gentlemen to be duly elected :

Rev. Dr. Wyatt,	}	<i>For the Western Shore.</i>
" Dr. Henshaw,		
" Dr. Johns,		
" Levin I. Gilliss,		

Rev. Dr. Spencer,	}	<i>For the Eastern Shore.</i>
" J. A. McKenney,		
" Clement F. Jones.		

It was on motion, *Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be authorised to invest all monies now on hand, or which may hereafter be received, in such safe stocks, mortgages, and other securities as they may deem expedient, and that so



much of the resolution of the last Convention as relates to the investment of the funds be, and the same is hereby repealed.

The committee appointed on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to St. James' Hall, made the following report, which was unanimously adopted :

The committee appointed by the Convention, to take into consideration so much of the Bishop's Address, as has reference to the establishment of a Diocesan School for boys, beg leave respectfully to report, 'That they enter most heartily into the views expressed by the Bishop, in reference to this deeply important object, and are fully sensible how much, connected with the future welfare of the Diocese, depends upon the success of this scheme.

Our lamentable deficiency in the supply of the means for thorough education on Christian principles, has been long deplored. We can but regard it as a subject calling for our most profound gratitude, that preliminary arrangements have been so successfully made, for the establishment of a seminary just such as is demanded. Your committee feel that the Diocese is deeply indebted to the zeal and liberality of those who have entered so warmly into all the incipient steps of the undertaking, and that we ought not to hesitate in going forward at once and doing our part, to give it full efficiency and entire success.

It appears from the Address of the Bishop, that the spacious building which has been procured, is now put in a state of perfect repair, and only waits to receive its occupants.

Under the very judicious management which has been selected, your committee have no hesitation in expressing their conviction, that the success of the institution, if only once set on foot, does not admit of a moment's question. The high advantages which are offered by an institution in our State under such government as has been procured, coupled with a sense of our pressing necessities, leads your committee to feel warranted in earnestly recommending to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, 'That a special agent be appointed by this Convention, to visit such portions of the Diocese as he may find necessary for the purpose of securing the funds now requisite to the establishment of the institution, and that the object be warmly recommended to the liberality of our Churchmen.

The committee on accounts reported, that having examined the report and vouchers of the Treasurer, they had found the same correct. The report was accepted.

Dr. *Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, in account with the Treasurer.* Cr.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION OF MARYLAND.—1842.

1841.		1841.		1841.	
May 29	Paid J. Merriken, Sexton St. Paul's Church,	\$20 00	May 26	By Balance then in favor of the Fund,	\$692 68
June 2	Jos. Robinson, for 1000 copies of Bishop Griswold's Sermon, -	39 05	" 29	Committee appointed to receive the Parochial Contributions, per H. D. Evans, -	544 74
July 7	Jos. Robinson, for 1000 copies Journal of Convention of 1841, -	200 00	Sept. 3	Rev. J. Mitchell, for sale of 11 copies of the Canons of the Church, -	4 37
" 12	R. M. Hall, Secretary, his Salary and expenses, -	67 41	1842.		
" 12	Advertising in Southern Churchman, -	3 19	May	Interest on deposit in Savings Bank of Maryland, -	22 36
Aug. 16	Rev. Dr. Johns' expenses, Standing Committee, -	26 07			
Oct. 19	General Convention at New York, contingent expenses in full to date, -	61 50			
1842.					
Feb. 1	Lucas & Deaver, printing Circulars, -	4 00			
" 11	Rev. J. I. Gillis' expenses attending Standing Committee, -	10 00			
April 22	Wm. Slavelly, advertising meeting of the Convention, -	1 30			
May 18	For Certificate of 6 per cent. Stock of the corporation of Baltimore, bearing interest from 1st April last, \$1,000. Cost -	\$695 00			
	Balance cash in hand, -	70 69			
		765 69			
		\$1,204 37		Balance in favor of the Convention, -	\$1,204 37
					765 69

BALTIMORE, May 26th, 1842.

R. H OWEN, Treasurer.

The Treasurer of the Convention charged with the *Temporary Fund* for the support of the EPISCOPATE of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, respectfully reports:

That the Fund in Cash and Investments amounted in  
May 26th, 1841, to - - - - - \$2,801 41

That since his annual statement and the rising of the  
Convention, he has received from the Committee ap-  
pointed to receive the Parochial Contributions, and  
other sources, as appears on the face of the printed  
Journal of the Convention of the 11th June last, - \$1,299 06  
And since that date from St Peter's church, Baltimore, 75 00  
For interest on \$2,865 33, State Stock, to 1st July last, 42 98  
" " on \$1,656 08, Rail Road Bonds, - - 24 84  
" dividend Union Bank of Maryland, - - - 13 12  
" " Citizens' Bank of Baltimore, to same date, 30 00  
1,485 00  
\$4,286 41

That he has paid the Right Rev. Bishop of the Dio-  
cese, one quarter's Salary, - - - - - \$750 00

And that he has paid over and transferred the balance  
of the Fund in Cash and Stocks to Jacob Albert,  
Esq. Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, as per  
vouchers, - - - - - 3,536 41  
\$4,286 41

BALTIMORE, May 25th, 1842.

R. H. OWEN.

The Treasurer of the Convention having in charge the *Permanent Fund* for the support of the EPISCOPATE, has respectfully to make the follow-  
ing exhibit of the trust committed to him.

The amount in Stock and Cash, as stated in his annual account,  
May 26th, last, - - - - - \$4,353 25  
He has received since then from sundry Parishes and Individual  
contributors, as specified on the Journal of the Convention,  
under date June 11th, 1841, the sum of - - - 2,568 30  
\$6,921 55

He has paid Mrs. McElhiney, Executrix of the Rev. -  
Dr. McElhiney, as per order of the Convention, - \$800 00

He has transferred the Stocks, and paid over the ba-  
lance of Cash of this Fund to the Treasurer of  
the Trustees, - - - - - 6,121 55  
\$6,921 55

BALTIMORE, May 25th, 1842.

R. H. OWEN.

On motion, the Convention then proceeded to elect two Trustees, to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of the "Permanent Fund," for the support of the Episcopate, when Alexander C. Magruder and J. Mason Campbell, Esqs., were elected.

*Resolved*, That the second section of the second Resolution of the last Convention, page 56 of the Journal, be repealed; and that hereafter the Trustees hold their appointment during the pleasure of the Convention.

The Chair proposed a revision of the second rule of order, with a view to such change in the sittings of the Convention as may afford time for daily service and communion.

It was then on motion, *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to revise the second rule of order, in accordance with the suggestion of the Bishop. The following gentlemen were appointed on the committee:

The Rev. Mr. Keech, Hon. E. F. Chambers, and H. C. Scott, Esq.

The committee recommended the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the second rule of order be so amended as to read as follows, viz: "The convention shall sit for the despatch of business at 9 o'clock, A. M. and at 4 o'clock P. M. on each day of its session." The resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was on motion, *Resolved*, That when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

It was on motion, *Resolved*, That in consideration of the depressed state of Dorchester parish, Dorchester county, the dues of every kind now charged against said Parish be, and they are hereby remitted.

On motion, the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman was unanimously appointed the *special agent* of the Convention to carry out the recommendation of the Report on St. James' Hall.

The Committee on Missions made the following report, which was accepted:

The committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to Missions, beg leave to report, That entirely concurring in the views of their Diocesan, in reference to this important subject, so strongly and affectionately urged upon the attention of the Diocese, in his pastoral letter of the last summer, and in his Address to the present Convention, they regret to find from the report of the Board of Directors of the Missionary Society, which they, by request, present to the Convention, that the arguments used have produced so partial an effect upon some of the parishes, and that the powerful appeals and exhortations addressed to the Clergy and people, have not received, from all to whom they were addressed, a liberal response.

The committee are willing to believe that the pecuniary embarrassment of the times, added to the laudable efforts made in the parishes to collect a fund for the support of the Episcopate, may account, in some considerable degree, for the small amount of contributions to the Missionary cause. But when we reflect that only twenty-seven out of the whole number of parishes in the Diocese, have contributed anything to this work, and that the amount from the majority even of these, is but small—we fear that no adequate excuse can be offered for our apathy, and that with respect to this department of our duty, we are verily guilty before God. The work of spreading the Gospel at home and abroad, through the wide field of the world, is preeminently the work for which Christ instituted his Church, and it is our earnest desire and prayer, that this part of the Church may henceforth strive to come up with more zeal and benevolence to the standard of its privileges and obligations.

As one means of increasing the interest which all should feel in this cause, the committee recommend that the plan of the missionary operations of the Diocese be so changed as to appoint at each annual Convention, an executive committee, to which, with the Bishop at its head, the whole management of the work shall be intrusted.

But the committee are aware that it is not a new organization of our Missionary Board—however compact and efficient it might be, which would insure the great practical end in view, the increase of the missionary spirit and effort in the Church, without the general adoption of some systematic mode of gathering regularly the contribution of all our parishes and Churches. They know of none better than that of the Sunday Offerings. It is conformable to the genius and institutions of the Church, sanctioned by Apostolic usage, and we believe will be found in practice, to bring into the Lord's treasury a greater amount of means, and in a way less burdensome and inconvenient to the contributors, than could be obtained by any other mode. So strong is

the conviction of the committee of the importance and feasibility of this measure, that they would be unanimously in favor of introducing a canon to make it obligatory; but content themselves for the present, with earnestly recommending to the Church, the universal adoption of the Sunday Offerings on every Lord's day, during the reading of the Offertory. The proceeds to be appropriated to missions, and other objects of Church benevolence.

The committee beg leave in conclusion to offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the constitution of the Missionary Society of this Diocese be repealed.

2. *Resolved*, That at each annual Convention, three Clergymen and three Laymen shall be elected, who, together with the Bishop of the Diocese, shall constitute an executive committee of missions, whose duty it shall be to select missionary stations in the Diocese, upon the nomination of the Bishop to appoint missionaries, and fix their stations, and transmit to the domestic and foreign Missionary Societies, all moneys which may be forwarded to them in aid of missionary operations without the Diocese. The executive committee shall have the power to elect their own Secretary and Treasurer—to adopt such by-laws as may be necessary for their own government—and in general, to do all such acts, as in their judgment may contribute to the success and extension of the work of missions.

3. *Resolved*, That it be, and it is hereby warmly recommended to the Clergy and Vestries in this Diocese, to introduce without delay, the use of the Sunday Offerings for missions, on every Lord's day, in conformity to the suggestions of the Bishop in his pastoral letter, and in his address to this Convention.

J. P. K. HENSHAW,  
WILLIAM PINKNEY,  
HUGH DAVEY EVANS.

The resolutions were then taken up *seriatim*, the first two adopted as reported, and the third, after amendment, as follows:

3. *Resolved*, That in those parishes where no systematic mode of weekly offerings has been already carried into successful operation, it be, and it is hereby warmly recommended to the Clergy and Vestries in this Diocese, to introduce, without delay, the use of the Sunday offerings for missions, on every Lord's day, in conformity with the suggestions of the Bishop, in his pastoral letter, and in his Address to this Convention.

The report of the Board of Directors of the Missionary Society was read and ordered to be entered on the minutes.

*Report of the Board of Directors of the Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Maryland.*

The Board of Directors report to the Society, that the Missionaries who are now acting under the appointment of the Executive Committee of the Board, are the Rev. Matthias Harris, who is performing, Missionary labor in Dorchester Parish, and for whose support the sum of four hundred dollars annually, is supplied from the funds of the Society, and the Rev. John Keighler, who receives the same annual sum, and whose Missionary station comprises Christ Church Parish, Mount Savage, Devoer's Church, and Providence Church, Flintstone, Allegany county. The Rev. Mr. Owen, Pastor of St. Paul's Church, Frostburg, has also received aid from the funds of the Society.

By the Treasurer's report it appears, that he has received since the meeting of the last Convention the sum of \$1,700 79, which was contributed by different parishes and congregations in the Diocese, in the following sums, viz: from

Chester Parish, Kent county, \$92 00	Amount brought forward, \$1,412 80
Trinity " Charles " 14 94	Queen Anne's Parish, - - 10 00
Sherwood Chapel and St.	St. Anne's, Annapolis, - - 55 00
John's, Baltimore county, 312 59	St. Andrew's Parish, - - 8 00
Somerset and Coventry, - 49 00	St. John's, Prince George's, 12 00
St. John's, Ellicott's Mills, - 53 42	Christ Church, Harford, - 9 34
St. Paul's, Baltimore, - - 172 62	Broad Creek Parish, - - 23 00
Christ Church, A. A. county, 33 00	St. Paul's, Prince George's, - 10 00
St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, 562 00	All Saints, Frederick, - - 27 00
St. Bartholomew's, Montgo-	All Saints, Calvert county, - 7 25
mery county, - - - 19 36	Christ Church Parish, Kent
Prince George's Parish, Mont-	Island, - - - - 1 00
gomery county, - - - 12 12	St. John's Church, Washing-
William & Mary's Parish,	ton, Sunday School, - - 32 00
Charles county, - - - 20 00	St. John's, Baltimore county, 6 00
All Hallows', Anne Arundel	Elkton, - - - - 18 00
county, - - - - 12 00	St. Paul's, Frostburg, - - 9 40
St. Matthew's & Zion Parish, 59 75	Christ Church, Baltimore, - 60 00
Amount carried forward, \$1,412 80	\$1,700 79

Of the above amount of \$1,700 79, a large proportion, to wit, the sum of \$1,044 77, came into the hands of the Treasurer, specially appropriated by the parties contributing the same, to the following missionary and benevolent objects.

African Mission, - - - -	\$69 98	Amount brought forward,	\$702 07
African school for Native boys,	40 00	Church at Evansville, Indi-	
Cape Palmas, - - - -	5 00	ana, - - - -	25 00
Constantinople Mission, - -	155 00	Church at Pontiac, Michi-	
Foreign Committee, - - -	66 76	gan, - - - -	62 00
Domestic Committee, - - -	295 31	St. James 1st African Church,	75 00
Rev. C. E. Pleasants, - - -	29 02	Patuxent Chapel, - - -	130 00
Bishop Chase, - - - -	16 00	Prayer Book, Homily & Tract	
Church at New Albany, Indi-		Society, - - - -	25 00
ana, - - - -	25 00	Church in Delaware, - -	25 00
Amount carried forward,	\$702 07		\$1,044 07

This sum so appropriated not being under the control of the Board, has been paid over by the Treasurer in conformity with the directions of the contributors. The balance of the whole amount received by him, viz: the sum of \$656 72, being alone subject to the disposition of the Executive Committee, has furnished the fund out of which the current expenses of the Society have been defrayed; and there is now in the hands of the Treasurer the sum of \$35 76.

The committee on parochial contributions made the following report, which was accepted:



*Amount received by the Committee on the Parochial Contributions of the  
Diocese of Maryland, 1842.*

PARISHES AND CHURCHES.	Bishop's Fund.	Conven- tion Fund.	Unascer- tained.	TOTAL.
St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . . . .		\$6 00		\$6 00
St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro', P. George's county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
St. John's Church, Georgetown, . . . . .		6 00	\$87 00	87 00
St. Matthew's Church, Prince George's county, St. Mark's, Prince George's county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
St. Thomas', Hancock, Washington county, St. Mary's Church, Cecil county, . . . . .	\$10 00	6 00		16 00
Trinity " " " " . . . . .		6 00		6 00
St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore, . . . . .		45 00		45 00
St. Paul's " Queen Anne's county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
William & Mary Parish, Charles " . . . . .		9 00		9 00
St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, . . . . .		36 00		36 00
Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county, Great Choptank " Dorchester " . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Trinity Church, Washington city, . . . . .		14 00		14 00
Christ " Calvert county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
St. James' Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . . . .		9 00		9 00
Christ Church, Georgetown, . . . . .		8 00		8 00
Christ " Harford county, . . . . .		3 00		3 00
Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's county, All Hallows' " Anne Arundel " . . . . .		14 00	14 00	14 00
St. Andrew's, Baltimore city, . . . . .	30 00	10 00		40 00
Somerset Parish, Somerset county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
All Hallows' " Worcester " . . . . .		12 00		12 00
St. John's " Baltimore and Harford coun- ties, . . . . .		3 00		3 00
Chester Parish, Kent county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester coun- ties, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Zion Parish, Frederick county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Worcester Parish, Worcester county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Christ Church, in St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
All Saints', Calvert county, . . . . .		7 00		7 00
St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, by Mr. Greenwell, . . . . .		6 00		6 00
St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, . . . . .		14 00		14 00
St. John's Church, Havre-de-grace, Harford county, . . . . .		8 00		8 00
William & Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel " . . . . .		6 00		6 00
Broad Creek Parish, temporary Episcopal fund, Port Tobacco Parish, . . . . .	16 00	12 00		28 00
St. John's Church, Washington, . . . . .	30 00	6 00		6 00
St. John's, Hagerstown, . . . . .		14 00		44 00
		9 00		9 00
	\$86 00	\$365 00	\$101 00	\$552 00

Say eighty-six dollars for the Bishop's Fund; three hundred and sixty-five dollars for the Convention Fund; and one hundred and one dollars, which are for one or the other of these Funds, but which they have not been able to ascertain; five hundred and fifty-two dollars in all.

GEORGE L. MACKENHEIMER,  
HUGH DAVEY EVANS.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Secretary procure and print with the Journal, the pastoral letter which was published by the Bishop in the course of the last year, on the subject of Sunday offerings for missions.\*

The Convention then took a recess until 5 o'clock, at which hour the members re-assembled, and proceeded to business.

It was on motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention now proceed to ballot for three clergymen, and three Laymen, to serve as the Executive Committee of Missions, for the ensuing year.

Rev. Mr. Austin and Mr. Gould were appointed tellers, and after counting the ballots, declared the following gentlemen to be duly elected.

Rev. Dr. Wyatt,

H. D. Evans,

“ “ Henshaw,

J. Mason Campbell,

“ Clement F. Jones,

S. I. Donaldson, Esqs.

On motion, *Resolved*, That in addition to the means already suggested by the Convention, the clergy and lay delegates be respectfully urged to exert themselves to collect immediately the interest now due on the subscription to the Episcopal Fund, and such portion of the principal as can be procured, and return the same to the Board of Trustees or their Treasurer.

The committee on the state of the Church made the following report, which was accepted :

The Standing Committee, acting as the Committee on the State of the Church, transmit to the Convention the Parochial Reports from the several parishes ; and in the hasty notice of them which alone they have been enabled to take, they find nothing calling for special remark except the confirmation afforded to the devout hopes of the Church of the prosperous condition of the Diocese at large. Of this claim to gratitude, ample evidence will be found in the communication made by the Bishop, derived from his personal observation.

The committee take pleasure in expressing unanimously their sense of the great importance to the Diocese of the school recently established at Fountain Rock. Nothing can be more calculated to co-operate advantageously

\*See Appendix.

with the present condition of the Church ; and few institutions can have a stronger claim upon the patronage of all those who love it. This patronage is to be afforded, not merely by pecuniary contributions, but by the adoption of all proper means and influences for the supply of the school with the requisite number of pupils.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. E. WYATT, *Chairman Stand. Com.*

It was *Resolved*, That the Missionary Executive Committee be authorized to fill any vacancies which may occur in their body by resignation or otherwise, prior to the next Convention.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Mr. R. M. Hall, for his long and faithful services as Secretary to former Conventions of this Diocese.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That the sum of twenty dollars be paid to the Sexton of St. Paul's Church, for his attendance on the present Convention.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That after the customary concluding devotions the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The members then united in singing the last four verses of the 64th Psalm in the Selection, and the session was closed with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Bishop pronouncing the benediction.

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland,*  
*and President of the Convention.*

HERVEY COLBURN, Secretary.

# **A P P E N D I X .**

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## **LIST OF THE CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE OF MARYLAND. 1842.**

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The Clergymen to whose names an asterisk (\*) is prefixed, did not attend the meetings of the Convention.

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**Rt. Rev. WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM, Bishop of the Diocese.**

**\* Rev. James Abercrombie, Rector of Trinity Parish, Charles county.**

**\* Rev. Walter D. Addison.**

**Rev. Henry Aisquith, Rector of Severn Church, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Charles C. Austin, Rector of St. Thomas' Parish, Baltimore county.**

**Rev. Thomas Barrow, Principal of a school in Frederick county.**

**Rev. John P. Bausman, Rector of St. Augustine's Parish, Cecil county.**

**Rev. Enoch Bayley, Rector of East New Market Parish, Dorchester county.**

**Rev. Thomas Bayne, residing in Talbot county.**

**Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of Christ Church, Washington city, D. C.**

**Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of St. George's Parish, Harford county, and  
St. John's Church, Havre de-Grace.**

**\* Rev. Frederick William Boyd.**

**Rev. Henry Brown, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.**

**Rev. James A. Buck, Rector of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county.**

**\* Rev. Samuel Buel, Rector of Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.**

**Rev. Olcott Bulkley, Rector of St. Mark's and St. Paul's Parishes, Frederick county.**

**Rev. Clement M. Butler, Rector of St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.**

**\* Rev. Samuel G. Callahan, Principal of a school in Somerset county.**

**Rev. Wm. F. Chesley, Rector of St. James Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. William James Clark, Rector of All Hallow's and Worcester Parishes, Worcester county.**

• **Rev. John Claxton, Principal of Charlotte Hall Academy.**

• **Rev. S. W. Crampton, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Hancock, Washington county.**

**Rev. Henry Crosdale, Rector of Somerset Parish, Somerset county.**

**Rev. Samuel C. Davis, Rector of William and Mary's Parish, Charles county.**

**Rev. Thomas B. Flower, Rector of Durham Parish, Charles county.**

**Rev. Mathias L. Forbes, Officiating Minister of the Mission congregation of Mount Calvary, Baltimore.**

**Rev. John W. French, Officiating Minister of the Mission congregation of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.**

**Rev. Levin I. Gilliss, Rector of Prince George and St. Bartholomew's Parishes, Montgomery county.**

**Rev. Robert Lloyd Goldsborough, Rector of St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil county, and of Trinity Church, Elkton.**

**Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough, Rector of All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Henry L. B. Goodwin, residing in Charles county.**

**Rev. Matthias Harris, Rector of Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.**

• **Rev. Wm. A. Harris, Rector of Rock Creek Parish, District of Columbia.**

**Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Rector of St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Wm. Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, Washington city, D. C.**

**Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D. Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.**

• **Rev. John F. Hoff, Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.**

**Rev. John W. Hoffman.**

**Rev. Alfred Holmead, Rector of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Hector Humphreys, D. D., Principal of St. John's college, Annapolis.**

**Rev. Orlando Hutton, Rector of Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. John Johns, D. D. Rector of Christ Church, Baltimore.**

• **Rev. Leonard H. Johns, Principal of an Academy in Cumberland, Allegany county.**

• **Rev. Clement F. Jones, Rector of Chester Parish, Kent county, and St. Luke's Parish, Queen Ann county.**

**Rev. Norris M. Jones, Rector of Christ Church Parish, Queen Ann's county.**

**Rev. John R. Keech, Rector of St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford co's.**

**Rev. John H. Kehler, Missionary in Allegany county.**

- Rev. Henry S. Keppler, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.
- Rev. Samuel C. Kerr, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county.
- Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, Rector of St. John's Parish, Washington county.
- Rev. George L. Mackenheimer, Rector of Queen Ann's Parish, Pr George co.
- \* Rev. Alexander M. Marbury, Rector of St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties.
- Rev. Henry Major, Instructor in the Hannah More Academy, near Reisterstown.
- Rev. Henry M. Mason, D. D., Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.
- Rev. John N. McJilton, Deacon, Rector of St. James' First African Church, and Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Baltimore.
- Rev. James A. McKenney, Rector of Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester co.
- \* Rev. Richard Mitchell, Rector of William & Mary Parish, St. Mary's co.
- Rev. John Owen, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Frostburg, Allegany county.
- Rev. Francis Peck, Rector of Ascension Church, Baltimore.
- Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Frederick, Frederick co.
- \* Rev. Richard H. Phillips, residing in Frederick county.
- Rev. Robert Piggot, Rector of Ellicott Chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county.
- Rev. William Pinkney, Rector of Zion Parish, Prince George's county.
- \* Rev. Charles E. Pleasants, Rector of All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county.
- \* Rev. Robert Prout, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county.
- Rev. John J. Robertson, D. D., Missionary to Constantinople.
- Rev. John P. Robins, Assistant Minister of All Hallow's Parish, Worcester co.
- \* Rev. Purnell F. Smith, residing at Georgetown, Kent county.
- \* Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot co.
- Rev. K. Johns Stewart, Rector of Spring Hill and Stepney Parishes, Somerset county.
- Rev. Horace Stringfellow, Rector of Trinity Church, Washington city, D. C.
- Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, and Zion Parish, Frederick county.
- Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Jr., Rector of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, Prince George's county.
- \* Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, Rector of Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county.
- Rev. Russell Trevett, Deacon, officiating in St. John's Parish, Washington co.
- Rev. Richard Henry Waters, Rector of Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.
- Rev. James C. Wheat, Deacon, Principal of a Female School in Hagerstown.

Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides, Barleywood, near Petersville, Frederick co.  
 Rev. John Wiley, Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county.  
 Rev. Henry Williams, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.  
 Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Rector of Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.  
 Rev. Gordon Winslow, Rector of St. Ann's Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Rev. George F. Worthington, Rector of Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county.  
 Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.  
 Rev. Thomas James Wyatt, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Parish,  
 Baltimore. 85

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## LAY DELEGATES

*Who attended this Convention, and the Parishes and Churches which they represented.*

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Mr. Thomas Shriver, Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.  
 Mr. Joseph N. Stockett, All Hallows Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Dr. Allen Thomas, Christ's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. Benjamin Mullikin, Ellicott's Chapel, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. Wm. C. Tyler, Severn Church, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. Alexander C. Magruder, St. Ann's Parish, Annapolis, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. John G. Rogers, St. James' Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. T. W. Ligon, St. John's Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. Wm. S. Weedon, St. Margaret's, Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Col. John S. Williams, Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, Anne Arundel county.  
 Mr. Wm. Woodward, Ascension Church, Baltimore county.  
 Mr. James Howard, } Christ Church, Baltimore county.  
 Mr. J. Mason Campbell, }  
 Mr. John Lowrey, St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore county.  
 Mr. Samuel I. Donaldson, } St. Paul's Church, Baltimore county.  
 Mr. Hugh D. Evans, }

- Mr. Noah Ridgely, St. Peter's Church, Baltimore county.
- Mr. John Henry Brice, Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county.
- Mr. Thomas J. Chew, All Saint's Parish, Calvert county.
- Mr. Charles I. Jones, Christ's Church Parish, Calvert county.
- Mr. Lambert D. Nowland, Trinity Church, Cecil county.
- Mr. Henry R. Harris, William and Mary Parish, Charles county.
- Mr. Josias H. Hawkins, Christ Church, Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.
- Mr. P. T. Berry, Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.
- Mr. Wm. B. Scott, St. John's Church, Washington, D. C.
- Capt. J. L. C. Hardy, Christ Church, Washington Parish, D. C.
- Dr. Bailly Washington, Trinity Church, D. C.
- Mr. Levin Keene, Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.
- Mr. Plummer Ijams, Zion Parish, Frederick county.
- Mr. William M. Maynadier, Rock Spring Church, St. John's Parish, Harford county.
- Dr. Philip Lamsdale, St. John's Parish, Havre-de-Grace
- Mr. Robert S. Wilson, St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.
- Hon. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Chester Parish, Kent county.
- Mr. Thomas Miller, St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.
- Mr. Nathan Dickerson, Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county.
- Mr. John W. Magruder, St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county.
- Mr. William D. Poole, St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county.
- Mr. Thomas Berry, Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county.
- Dr. Washington Duvall, St. Mark's Church, Prince George's county.
- Mr. Thomas Duckett, Queen Ann's Parish, Prince George's county.
- Mr. Horatio C. Scott, Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, Prince George's county.
- Mr. Thomas I. Marshall, Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties.
- Mr. William Gould, St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's county.
- Mr. Wm. B. Paca, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.
- Mr. James Hebb, William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county.
- Mr. David G. Odell, Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties.
- Mr. Wm. W. Johnston, Somerset Parish, Somerset county.
- Mr. Samuel Hambleton, St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.
- Mr. William H. Groome, St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.
- Mr. Jacob Shlagel, St. Thomas' Church, Washington county.
- Mr. John T. Taylor, All Hallow's Parish, Worcester county.



*List of Parishes in the Diocese of Maryland.*

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*Allegheny county.*

Emmanuel Parish, Parish Church, Cumberland Chapel, Flintstone.  
 St. Peter's Church, Lonaconing.  
 St. Paul's Church, Frostburg.  
 Christ Church Parish, Mount Savage.

*Anne Arundel county.*

All Hallow's Parish.  
 Queen Caroline Parish, Christ Church.  
 St. Ann's Parish, Annapolis.  
 St. James' Parish, West River,  
 Westminster Parish, St. Margaret's Church.  
 St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, near Ellicott's Mills.  
 Severn Church, St. Ann's Parish.  
 Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge.

*Baltimore city.*

St. Paul's Parish.  
 Christ Church  
 St. Peter's Church.  
 Trinity Church, (extinct.)  
 St. James Church, (colored.)  
 St. Andrew's Church.  
 Ascension Church.

*Baltimore county.*

St. James' Parish, Parish Church on the Manor.  
 Trinity Chapel, Long Green.  
 St. Thomas' Parish.  
 St. John's Church.  
 Sherwood Chapel, Cockeysville.

*Baltimore and Harford counties.*

St. John's Parish, Christ Church, Rock Spring.  
 St. John's Chapel, (Day's.)

*Calvert county.*

All Saint's Parish.

Christ Church, Parish Church, with a Chapel.

St. Paul's Parish, Prince Frederick.

*Caroline county.*

St. Mary White Chapel, (extinct.)

*Cecil county.*

St. Augustine's Parish.

St. Mary Anne's Parish, North-East.

St. Stephen's Parish, Cecilton.

Trinity Church, Elkton.

*Charles county.*

Durham Parish, Parish Church, Nanjemoy.

St. James' Chapel.

Port Tobacco Parish, Parish Church, Port Tobacco.

St. Paul's Chapel, (Piney Church.)

St. James' Chapel.

Trinity Parish, Trinity Church, Newport.

Oldfields Chapel.

William and Mary Parish, Parish Church, (Pickawaxen.)

*District of Columbia.*

Rock Creek Parish.

Christ Church, Navy Yard, Washington city.

St. John's Church, Washington city.

Trinity Church, Washington city.

City Mission, Washington city.

St. John's Church, Georgetown.

Christ Church, Georgetown.

*Dorchester county.*

Dorchester Parish, Parish Church, Church Creek.

Chapel, Taylor's Island.

Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge.

East New Market Parish.

Vienna Parish.

*Frederick county.*

All Saint's Parish, Frederick.

Harriet Chapel, Cotoctin.

St. Mark's Parish, Merryland Tract.

**St. Paul's Parish.**

**Zion Parish, Urbanna.**

*Harford county. (See Baltimore and Harford.)*

**St. George's Parish, Spesusæ.**

**St. John's Church, Havre-de-Grace.**

*Kent county.*

**Chester Parish, Chestertown.**

**St. Paul's Parish Church.**

**Shrewsbury Parish, Parish Church, and a Chapel, Massey's Cross Roads.**

*Montgomery county.*

**Prince George Parish, Christ Church, Rockville.**

**St. Bartholomew's Parish, Parish Church.**

**Chapel building.**

**St. Peter's Parish, Parish Church.**

*Prince George county.*

**Broad Creek Parish, St. Barnabas Church.**

**St. John's Chapel.**

**Queen Ann Parish, St. Barnabas Church.**

**Trinity Chapel, (formerly Henderson's.)**

**St. Paul's Parish, Parish Church, Nottingham.**

**Chapel.**

**Zion Parish, St. Matthew's Church, Bladensburg.**

**St. Mark's Chapel, (Parish Church.)**

**Chapel, Vansville.**

**Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.**

*Prince George and Charles counties.*

**St. John's Parish, Parish Church, (Akakeek.)**

**Chapel, ('Bumpy Oak.')**

*Queen Ann county.*

**Christ Church Parish, Kent Island.**

**St. Paul's Parish, St. Paul's Church, Centreville.**

**St. Luke's Chapel, Queenston.**

**St. Luke's Chapel, Wye River, (disused.)**

**St. Luke's Parish, Church Hill.**

**St. John's Parish, (extinct.)**

*St. Mary's county.*

**All Faith Parish, Charlotte Hall.**

**King and Queen Parish, All Saint's Church, (Tomacoquen.)**

**Christ Church, Chaptico.**

**St. Andrew's Parish, St. Andrew's Church.**

**William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's Church.**

**Poplar Hill Chapel.**

***Somerset county.***

**Coventry Parish, Parish Church, Rehoboth.**

**Chapel, Annamessik.**

**Chapel, Dividing Creek.**

**Somerset Parish, Parish Church, Princess Anne.**

**Chapel, Monei.**

**Springhill Parish, Parish Church, Spring Hill.**

**Chapel, Salisbury.**

**Stepney Parish, Parish Church, Green Hill.**

**St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.**

***Talbot county.***

**St. Michael's Parish, Parish Church, St. Michael's.**

**St. John's Chapel, Miles River.**

**St. Peter's Parish, Parish Church, Whitemarsh.**

**Christ Church, Easton.**

***Washington county,***

**St. John's Parish, Parish Church, Hagerstown.**

**St. Andrew's Church, Clearspring.**

**St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg**

**St. Thomas' Church, Hancock.**

***Worcester county.***

**All Hallow's Parish, Parish Church, Snow Hill.**

**St. John's Chapel.**

**St. James Chapel.**

**Worcester Parish, St. Paul's Chapel, Berlin.**

**St. Martin's Church, (the old Parish Church,)**

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Parishes on this list, . . . . .	57
(Beside 2 extinct. There are others extinct.)	
Incorporated Congregations, . . . . .	26
Churches of Parishes and Incorporated Congregations, . . .	73
Chapels, (3 of them disused,) . . . . .	31
Total Edifices, . . . . .	—104

## R U L E S   O F   O R D E R.

1st. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

2d. This Convention shall sit for the despatch of business, at 9 o'clock, A. M. and 4 o'clock, P. M., on each day of its session.

3d. Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered until the Convention adjourn.

4th. At the opening of each session of the Convention, as soon as the President takes the chair, the names of the clergy, who were entitled to seats at the preceding Convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention; or, in case of his absence, by a Secretary pro tem., to be appointed by the President. The lay Delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table of the Secretary, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be found present, the President shall thereupon declare the fact, and announce that the Convention is organised and ready for business. A Secretary shall be elected. The following committees shall then be appointed by the chair: One of elections, to consist of three, to whom the testimonials of the lay delegates shall be referred; one on accounts, to consist of three; one on parochial contributions, to consist of three; and one on the rights of clergymen to seats in this Convention, to consist of three clergymen.

5th. If the Bishop of the Diocese shall not be present at any meeting of the Convention, at the opening of the same, the names of the clergy who were entitled to seats at the preceding Convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention; or, in case of his absence, by the first named member of the standing committee who may be present. The lay delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be present, a President, pro tempore, shall be elected, agreeably to the seventh article of the constitution. A Secretary shall be elected; and then the chair shall appoint the several committees mentioned in the fourth rule of order.

6th. The standing committee for the preceding year shall be the committee on the state of the church; and all parochial reports shall be referred to the said committee.

**7th.** Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place ; and with respect and decency, address himself to the President.

**8th.** If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall declare who shall speak first.

**9th.** No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, except with leave ; nor shall any member be interrupted while he is speaking in order. And if any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order.

**10th.** Any member called to order by the President, or by a member, shall thereupon take his seat.

**11th.** When the Convention is sitting, no member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in a debate.

**12th.** No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded ; and if desired by the President, reduced to writing, and read by the Secretary.

**13th.** When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, unless postponed by a motion for postponement, or by the previous question, before any other motion shall be received.

**14th.** If a question in debate contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

**15th.** All questions of order shall be decided by the President. Upon all questions of order there shall be a right of appeal from the decision of the presiding officer of the Convention.

**16th.** No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention, unless he may have leave, or be unable to attend.

**17th.** A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

**18th.** The foregoing rules of order shall be deemed and considered the rules of order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

*Emmanuel Parish—Allegany county. May, 1842.*

Baptisms—white 1, adult, 7 infants, - - - - -	8
Communicants—last reported, - - - - -	33
“ added, - - - - -	2
“ died, - - - - -	2
“ present number, - - - - -	36
Sunday school—male teachers, - - - - -	6
“ female teachers, about - - - - -	6—12
“ scholars, about - - - - -	60
Funerals—white, - - - - -	3

The above details comprise only the time of my connexion with the parish—since the 19th of December last.

SAMUEL BUEL, *Rector.*

*Allegany county—Maryland.*

Baptisms—children, white 18, colored 2, - - - - -	20
Funerals, - - - - -	10
Marriages—white 6, colored 1, - - - - -	7
Communicants, - - - - -	3
Sunday school—male teachers 6, female do. 6, - - - - -	12
Scholars, - - - - -	100

The above are the statistics of the missionary station in Allegany county, Maryland, from January, 1841, to May, 1842, seven months of which time, I officiated in the capacity of a lay reader.

It may be proper to state, that my field of missionary labor embraces the three following points, viz. Mount Savage Iron Works, Flintstone, and Devore's Church.—Occasionally I officiate in other parts of the county. At Mount Savage we worship in a small school house, the uncomfortableness of which keeps many from attending who otherwise would. If we had a suitable building in which to hold our services, I have not the least doubt that a respectable congregation could be collected here. A congregation has been organised by the election of a vestry—At this place we have a Sunday

school, numbering one hundred scholars. We hope that a Church will be put up in the course of this summer. At Flintstone we have a Church, which is Episcopal property—it is, however, used by all other denominations, a circumstance which operates not a little against our success ; but how to remedy the evil I am at a loss to know.

At Devore's the prejudices against the Episcopal Church were very strong, and hence, at first but few attended—They begin to discover their error, and now we have a quite respectable attendance. Two persons recently joined our communion at this place. There is evidently a favorable change taking place, and some are beginning to “seek the Lord” and to inquire “what they must do to be saved.”

J. H. KEHLER, *Missionary of*  
*Cumberland, Md. May 24th, 1842.* *Allegany county, Md.*

*St. Paul's Church, Frostburg.*

Baptisms—adult, white 1—infants, white 5, colored 1,	-	7
Communicants on Easter Sunday, 1841, when the Holy		
Eucharist was first administered,	- - - -	8
Added since,	- - - -	7
Removed,	- - - -	2
Present number,	- - - -	13
Marriages, white 2, colored 2,	- - - -	4
Funerals,	- - - -	9
Sunday school teachers,	- - - -	5
“ scholars,	- - - -	14

JOHN OWEN, *Rector.*

*Frostburg, May 25th, 1842.*

*All Hallows Parish—Anne Arundel county. May 25th, 1842.*

Baptisms—infants, white 11, colored 16,	- - - -	27
Communicants last reported,	- - - -	28
Reduced by the formation of a new congregation in the par-		
ish, and one removal,	- - - -	22
Additions during the past year,	- - - -	3
Present number,	- - - -	25
Marriages—white 1, colored 1,	- - - -	2
Funerals,	- - - -	2



For Diocesan Missionary Society,	- - - - -	\$13 00
General Missionary establishment for both departments,	-	20 00
Whole amount,	- - - - -	\$33 00

With regard to the spiritual condition of the parish generally, the Rector deeply regrets that he cannot make a very favorable report. Apathy and indifference upon the great subject of religion are too clearly prevalent throughout its whole extent, and though exertions have been made in the various ways pointed out by the Church, of imparting spiritual instruction, to excite a more lively interest in behalf of this highest of all human concerns, still, in making up the issue, at the close of another term, the fruits of ministerial labor are scarcely perceptible. Unpromising, however, as this aspect of things is at present, and calculated to discourage, yet we must not be cast down, but endeavor to persevere, and imploring more fervently the aid of Him "without whom we can do nothing," entertain the hope, that by renewed efforts, this unproductive part of the Lord's vineyard may ere long become fruitful, and exhibit a people sowing as abundantly to the spirit as they are now, and heretofore have been, we fear, sowing to the flesh.

ROBERT W. GOLDSBOROUGH.

*Near Davidsonville, Anne Arundel county.*

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*Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Elk Ridge, Anne Arundel county.*

Communicants—added 2, removed 2, present number,	-	30
Baptisms—white 1, colored 13,	- - - - -	14
Funerals—white,	- - - - -	3
Marriages—white 2, colored 2,	- - - - -	4

RICHARD H. WATERS, *Rector.*

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*Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge.*

Baptisms—adult 1; children, white 16, colored 4,	- -	21
Communicants, diminished by 1 death,	- - - -	10

Owing to the removal of the Rector and his family from the neighborhood of the Chapel, with other circumstances, the Sunday school, for the present, is discontinued; it will be resumed as soon as arrangements can be made to that effect, with the prospects of permanency.

On Sunday, 5th of September last, Bishop Whittingham consecrated our Chapel to the worship of Almighty God. On which occasion he confirmed 9 persons, 1 of whom was from a neighboring parish, and administered the

Holy Communion. His visitation was one of great interest to the congregation and the community at large, and was effective in producing a kindly feeling toward the Church and her institutions.

The attendance on worship is good and encouraging. The Rector, since December last, has been laboring for another congregation, in connexion with the above, which he has succeeded in forming, under promising appearances of final success. This congregation has adopted the name of Grace Church, Howard District; have elected their Vestry according to law, and the undersigned their Rector.

Church offerings, on communion occasions, at Ellicott's Chapel, \$42 54, of which amount \$22 54 have been paid over to the missionary fund of this Diocese. All which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT PIGGOT, *Rector of Ellicott's Chapel, &c., residing at Elk Ridge Landing, A. A. county.*

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*Severn Church, Anne Arundel county. May, 1842.*

Communicants—added 1, died 1—present number, - - 13

Baptisms, - - - - - 4

We have succeeded during the past year in erecting a neat brick Church. And though we may not be able to have it plastered and painted this season, yet it is sufficiently finished for us to worship in, and we have commenced and intend holding divine worship every Sabbath.

We have some candidates for confirmation, and though we have but few members, there is much enquiry concerning our true and Apostolic Church, and our prospects are very encouraging.

HENRY AISQUITH, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Annapolis.*

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*St. Ann's Parish, Annapolis.*

Baptisms—white 14, colored 1, - - - - 15

Communicants—died 3, added 9, present number, - - 100

Funerals, - - - - - 5

Marriages—white 4, colored 1, - - - - 5

Sunday school teachers, male, - - - - 6

“ “ female, - - - - 11

Average attendance of Scholars, Female, - - - 62

Male, - - - - 23—85

## Contributions in money.

For Bell, about	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$200 00
Missionary purposes,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55 00
Offertory,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36 29
For Sunday school books,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30 00
For Prayer books,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
For Convention fund,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
For Bishop's fund,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	230 00
For repairs on parsonage, about,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	450 00
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A portion of which is still to be provided for.

GORDON WINSLOW, *Rector*.

*St James' Church, West River, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms—white 15, colored 6,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Marriages—white 1, colored 4,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70

Contributions to benevolent institutions of the Church, about \$120.

There prevails at this time nothing of special interest in this congregation.

The services are usually well attended, and a due regard manifested to the institutions and ordinances of the Church; but it is to be apprehended, that there exists many cases of coldness and lukewarmness, which exert a baneful influence amongst us. The Rector is however inclined to hope that the good work is silently progressing in some hearts, and that his labors are not in vain in the Lord. The parsonage is about being put in a state of excellent repair, and when finished, will add greatly to the comfort of the Rector's family.

WILLIAM F. CHESLEY, *Rector*.

*West River, May 24th, 1842.*

*St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills.*

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Communicants, last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
“ removed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20

Since the receipt of the pastoral letter in August last, the plan of weekly collections, with the use of the offertory, has been adopted in this Church. From that time to the quarter ending 31st March, \$53 39, have been collected, exclusive of the collection on one Sunday of each month, which is appropriated to parochial purposes. In accordance with the recommendation of the letter, the whole amount has been transmitted to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Board, with the request that he would hand over \$18 to the Domestic committee of D. and F. M. S., retain \$35 39 for the use of the Diocesan Society.

HUGH T. HARRISON, *Rector.*

*St. John's Parish, near Ellicott's Mills, May 24th, 1842.*

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*St. Margaret's, Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Marriages, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Funerals, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants, -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10

Missionary contributions, \$18 72.

It was stated by the Rector, in his last report, that arrangements had been made for the purchase of a tract of land, containing sixty-four acres. He has now to add, that upon this glebe a parsonage was erected during the last fall. The Divine services are well attended, and though not much encouraged in his labors, the Rector still hopes that the work of God is going on in the hearts and lives of his people. Day service is conducted in the parish Church, on the alternate vacant Sundays when he officiates in the chapel of the parish, by a young gentleman about becoming a candidate for Holy Orders, who has also undertaken the charge of the Sunday school, which, though small, is in successful operation.

ORLANDO HUTTON, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Annapolis.*

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*Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, Anne Arundel county.*

In the beginning of March, the undersigned removed from St. James, Baltimore county, for the threefold purpose of establishing a Boarding School for boys in communion with the Church, of rearing a congregation of worshippers, and of taking the spiritual oversight of the Patapsco Female Institute, which had been committed to his care by the Bishop of Maryland. Three months have now elapsed since his removal to the Mills. During this period

he has been enabled to make somewhat of a thorough survey of the whole ground of his contemplated operation. So far no difficulties have presented themselves which have not been overcome, and none likely to present themselves calculated to cause him to despond with reference to the undertaking in hand, or even to unsettle his purposes for a moment. Should he be but faithful to Him who hath called him to the work, and they be faithful who have consented to uphold his hands, the time is not far distant when the blessing of God shall be here seen and felt, for the good of the Church and the glory of His name. Already several lots beautifully and most eligibly situated have been offered, free of cost, as sites for the Church edifice, efforts for the building of which are now being made. The sum of 750 dollars has been subscribed by the vestry for said purpose. It is believed that when application shall be made to the friends of the Church elsewhere in the Diocese, after all is done which may be done here, an amount large enough will be obtained to rear a church-building sufficient to accommodate a numerous congregation,

By the Rector, or one or other of the lay readers whose assistance the Bishop has kindly granted him, morning and evening prayer is daily performed at the Female Institute. Upon the Sabbath-day the services of the Church are regularly observed, on which occasions, morning and evening, sermons are delivered. In the afternoon of each Lord's day, at the Union Factory, divine service is held according to the form of the Church, upon which occasion a sermon is also preached.

In conclusion, the Rector may be permitted to say, that, by the blessing of God upon his labors, an abundant harvest of souls may here be gathered into the Church, and thus made meet and fit for the kingdom of God on high.

ALFRED HOLMEAD, *Rector.*

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*Church of the Ascension—Baltimore.*

In his report for the last year, the Rector stated that through the liberality of the congregation of St. Peter's, (aided in some measure by other friends of the Church,) a house of worship had been commenced. He has now the pleasure of announcing its completion. It was consecrated to the service of Almighty God on the 4th of last November, since which period there have been gratifying evidences of a more established and widely spread attachment to the Church. The pecuniary pressure so generally experienced has fallen heavily upon us, and disappointed the hope that an early sale of pews would have afforded relief from the debt which at present rests upon us.

But from the number of pews rented, and other indications, we hope soon to be freed from this, the only important hindrance to our rapid, and we trust, permanent prosperity.

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Communicants—added 20, removed 3, present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8

FRANCIS PECK, *Rector.*

*Baltimore, May 25th, 1842.*

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*Christ Church, Baltimore.*

Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	350
Baptisms—adults 4, infants 36,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

Contributions to charitable purposes, \$2,687 00.

The Sunday schools continue to be well conducted. During the past year, several of the more advanced scholars have been confirmed and added to the communion of the Church. A city missionary is still sustained by the ladies' association, and the happy effect of his labors will be perceived from his own report. The asylum for destitute female children is admirably managed and promises very gratifying usefulness. Efforts are making by the congregation to provide under the same roof, a Chapel for the use of our city missionary, and permanent rooms for the accommodation of the children of the asylum. A lot has been secured for these purposes on N. Eden street, and it is hoped that during the present year a suitable building will be erected.

J. JOHNS.

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*Christ Church Mission.*

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Sunday school teachers—male 11, female 14,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
“ scholars—male 86, female 78,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	164

The duties of this station are, to visit among the poor and destitute, and superintend a Sunday school.

Nearly one hundred families have been visited and relieved during the past winter, among which twenty Bibles, twenty-three Prayer Books, and a number of tracts have been distributed. The Sunday school is prosperous, and the children are improving. Upwards of two hundred children, who but a few months since were without religious instruction, have received, through the instrumentality of this school, their first knowledge of the Scriptures, as well as instruction in the Book of Common Prayer, Church Catechism, &c. More than one hundred and sixty are now in regular attendance, a large proportion of whom are familiar with the Church service, and engage in the responses with great freedom. Religious services are regularly held on Sunday mornings and Thursday evenings in the school room. efforts have been made, which it is earnestly hoped may be speedily successful, for the erection of a building for the accommodation of the school and for public worship. Services have also been regularly held, for a few months past, at the Maryland Hospital on Sunday mornings at 9 o'clock.

**J. N. McJILTON, Missionary.**

***St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore. May 25th, 1842.***

<b>Baptisms—infants 49, adults 4,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>58</b>
<b>Confirmed,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>27</b>
<b>Married,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>12</b>
<b>Buried,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>36</b>
<b>Communicants as reported last year,</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>58</b>
“ added 44, from other parishes 3,	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>47</b>
“ removed 3, died 3,	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>6</b>
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	<b>98</b>

**The Sunday schools are in about the same state as reported last year.**

**H. S. KEPPLER, Rector.**

***St. James' First African Protestant Episcopal Church—Baltimore.***

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But little change has occurred in the condition of the congregation since the last report, except a more regular attendance on public worship. A neat vestry room has been built in the rear of the Church, which affords conveniences not enjoyed before its erection.

J. N. McJILTON, *Rector*.

*Baltimore, May 24, 1842.*

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*St. Paul's Parish—Baltimore:*

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
Interments,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	341

It has often been remarked that in the north-western direction, there was a large section of the city of Baltimore without an Episcopal Church in its immediate vicinity; and St. Paul's being the nearest Church, and a number of its members living within that section, there seemed to be imposed upon that parish the duty of making the effort to organize a new congregation there. This the Rector has undertaken, relying—not upon the official co-operation of his vestry, to whom he deemed it inexpedient to apply, but upon means procured from a Female Society, who have zealously promoted a variety of useful and devout objects in the parish, and from collections made in the Church. Thus warranted, since the 1st February, the Rector has procured the use of a warehouse in Franklin street, the first story of which is conveniently furnished for the purposes of worship, and has engaged the ministerial services of the Rev. Mr. Forbes for six months. The designation of Domestic Missionary of St. Paul's Parish, which was given at the commencement, it was not judged proper to maintain.

The attempt has thus far proved successful. The room, which upon the performance of the first services, was entirely filled, has continued to be well attended. And although no vestry has been elected, nor does the present state of the community seem to justify the attempt *at this moment* to erect a Church edifice, yet there is good ground for hope, that before long a congregation may be organized, and the appointment of a Rector may be made. The Sunday school is flourishing, and is said to consist of one hundred and four pupils. There are thirty communicants, of whom fourteen have removed from St. Paul's Church. One person has been baptized. When the congregation shall be organized, it is designed to give it the name of "Mount Calvary Church."

W. E. WYATT, *Rector*.

T. J. WYATT, *Assistant Minister*.

*Baltimore, May 25th, 1842.*



*St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.*

Baptisms, adults 2, children 35, . . . . .	37
Confirmed, . . . . .	39
Communicants, . . . . .	493
Marriages, . . . . .	10
Funerals, . . . . .	16

The charity day school and the Sunday schools continue to be flourishing and useful:—to the latter there are attached about forty teachers and two hundred and fifty scholars.

The offerings for missions and other objects of Church benevolence, recommended by the Bishop of the diocese, are collected in this Church every Sunday, during the reading of the Offertory. The experiment of the plan for nearly nine months past, has been attended with encouraging success. It is expected that the amount of the offerings will be from \$1500 to \$1800 per annum. In addition to the offerings, the contributions of the congregation for the support of a city missionary and other kindred objects, have amounted during the past year to about \$800.

It is hoping that, by God's blessing upon the means of his own appointment, the spiritual interests of this people are steadily advancing, and that the review of the ecclesiastical year affords ground of thankfulness for the past, and of encouragement for the future.

J. P. K. HENSHAW, *Rector.*

May 25th, 1842.

*Sherwood Church, Baltimore county.*

Baptisms, adults, . . . . .	4
“ infants, white 26, colored 5, . . . . .	31—35
Confirmed, . . . . .	4
Communicants last reported 15, added 8, died 2, removed 1, present number, . . . . .	20
Marriages, . . . . .	1
Funerals, . . . . .	5
Sunday school teachers, . . . . .	7
Sunday school scholars, . . . . .	35

Amount of weekly offerings since the 1st of August, which has been paid into the treasury of the Diocesan Missionary Society, \$96 00—besides which considerable sums have been contributed for building, without delay, a parsonage and parochial school house, and for purchasing a parish library

G. F. WORTHINGTON, *Rector.*

*St. Thomas' Parish, Baltimore county.*

Communicants, . . . . .	15
Sunday school pupils, . . . . .	25
Annual contribution to the cause of missions, \$40 00.	
CHARLES C. AUSTIN, <i>Rector.</i>	

*Post Office, Owing's Mills.*

*St. James' Parish, Baltimore county.*

The undersigned towards the close of February resigned his connexion with St. James' Parish. At the time of his departure, St. James' Parish was in a most delightful and flourishing condition, perhaps, more so, than at any other period during its past history for 40 years. A healthful spirit of attachment for the Church, as *the Church* of Christ, was beginning to lay hold upon the minds and hearts of the people, pervading their devotion and more or less becoming conspicuous in all their walk and conversation: thus promising, by the blessing of God, lasting grace to the cause of immortal souls. At this moment not having access to the books of the parish, no concise account can be given of the number of communicants received within the past year: nor can baptisms, marriages, or deaths be spoken of with accuracy. The whole number of communicants, it is believed, may be estimated as over 40.

May the Almighty God, as in times past, so in all the future, continue to bless his Church.

ALFRED HOLMEAD, *late Rector.*

June 3d, 1842.

*St. John's Parish—Baltimore and Harford counties.*

Having been absent from the last Convention in consequence of indisposition no report was made for the preceding year, and I now have to state that there were

Baptized—children 4, adult 1, . . . . .	5
Funerals, . . . . .	8
Communicants—added 10, removed 1, making the number at that time, in all, . . . . .	76

Since the Convention of 1841, there have been

Married—white 9, colored 5, . . . . .	14
Baptized—adults 12, children 8, . . . . .	20
Confirmed by Bishop Whittingham, Sunday after Ascension, . . . . .	11

Funerals, - - - - - 6

Communicants—added 8, withdrawn 2, suspended 1, removed 1,  
present number, - - - - - 80

One of the churches has been handsomely fitted up and greatly improved in appearance and comfort, and the other has received a suitable share of attention on the part of the congregation. About \$650 have been subscribed to the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and the hope is entertained that the people are becoming more attentive to the duties of religion, and the Church gradually gaining in their estimation and affections.

JOHN R. KEECH, *Rector*.

May 25th, 1842.

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*All Saints' Parish—Calvert county.*

Baptisms—white 13, colored 6, - - - - - 19

Funerals, - - - - - 4

Marriages—white 5, colored 7, - - - - - 12

Communicants—added 3, whole number, about - - - - - 40

Alms, \$33 29.

H. WILLIAMS, *Rector*.

Huntington, May 1842.

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*Christ Church Parish—Calvert county. May 25th, 1842.*

Baptisms—infants, white 18, colored 22, - - - - - 40

Communicants—last reported 55, added 19, - - - 74, }  
“ removed 1, withdrawn 1, suspended 2, - 4, }

“ present number, - - - - - 70

Marriages—white 4, colored 1, - - - - - 5

Funerals— do. 4, do. 2, - - - - - 6

Sunday schools—male teachers 8, scholars about 40, - - - 48

“ “ female do. 10, do. do. 40, - - - 50

Amount of collections, in consequence of the times and the loss of last year's crop by drought, not over \$20 00.

The state of this parish will be seen from the report. Whilst there are some things over which to mourn, there is much over which to rejoice. The religious interest of the congregations, if it may be judged of from their general attendance—from the continual additions to the Holy Communion—from the commendable zeal of a few in Sabbath School instruction, and from

the unanimity and fervor of devotion in the services, was never greater than at present.

May the Lord of glory break down all opposition, and cause his ever blessed Gospel to spread, and prevail not only here but over the whole world.

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector*.

*St. Leonard's P. O.*

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*St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county.*

Our church edifice, which was contracted for last spring, and of the completion of which this summer we had the most reasonable expectation, has been delayed by untoward circumstances. The work, however, is, I am thankful to say, still in progress, and through the blessing of the Head of the Church, we hope that it will be completed this fall. The congregation has been large and attentive.

Members of Families,	24
Baptisms,	10
Funerals,	4
Marriages,	2

ROBERT PROUT, *Rector*

*Prince Frederick, Calvert county, May, 1842.*

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*St. Mary's and Trinity Churches—Cecil county.*

Baptisms—since October last—adults 7, infants 11,	18
Confirmations,	3
Communicants—added 11, dead 1, removed 2, present number,	26
Marriages,	1
Funerals,	3

Severe loss has been sustained by the Church in the death of two gentlemen of Trinity Church, members of the vestry—more especially in that of the one, who was an exemplary communicant and a most generous benefactor to the parish. The present Parish Priest was instituted by the Bishop in October last, and God's blessing seems to have attended the regular celebration of the services and Holy Sacraments of the Church.

R. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, *Rector*.

*Elkton, Tuesday in Trinity week.*

*St. Stephen's Parish—Cecilton.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	15
Marriages, - - - - -	1
Communicants 33, added 1, - - - - -	34

The Rector would further report, That the children of the congregation have been formed into a class of catechumens, and that on each Sunday he publicly instructs them in the peculiar doctrines of the Church. And it is with much pleasure that he here records his testimony to the attention bestowed on the children, in this particular, by the parents. He would also mention, that the services of the Church are well attended, and that the building has been much improved by the addition of some convenient fixtures.

JOHN WILEY, *Rector.*

*Durham Parish—Charles county.*

Communicants added, - - - - -	6
Present number, about - - - - -	54
Baptisms, - - - - -	42
Marriages, - - - - -	3
Burials, - - - - -	14

THOMAS B. FLOWER, *Rector.*

*Partnership Post Office, Charles county, Md.*

*Port Tobacco Parish—Charles county.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	75
Funerals, - - - - -	18
Communicants 200, added 10, - - - - -	210
Bishop's Fund at present, \$635 00.	

Uniform attendance on the public services of the Church, from year to year, the rapid increase of Total Abstinence members, the vast and happy influences resulting from individual efforts in this great and good cause, is the report which I desire to present to the Convention:—unavoidable circumstances preventing me from being present.

LEMUEL WILMER, *Rector.*

*Trinity Parish—Charles county.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	77
Marriages, - - - - -	4

Burials, - - - - -	35
Communicants, - - - - -	77

Missionary collection, \$45.

Distributed, one dozen Prayer Books, as also a large number of tracts, on the distinctive principles of our truly Catholic, though Protestant Church.

JAMES ABERCROMBIE, *Rector.*

*Newport, May 16th.*

*William and Mary Parish, Charles county, Md.*

Baptisms—white 2, colored 7, - - - - -	9
Communicants last reported 89, added 7, died 4, removed 1, -	41
Marriages—white 2, colored 3, - - - - -	5
Funerals—white 7, colored 4, - - - - -	11

Contributions to Missionary Society, \$20.

The present Rector took charge of this Parish on the day of the Epiphany, January 6th, 1842. Since which no changes have occurred worthy of special remark.

SAMUEL C. DAVIS, *Rector.*

*Milton Hill, Charles county, May 23d, 1842.*

*Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

Baptisms—adults 2, infants, 25, - - - - -	27
Marriages, - - - - -	9
Communicants—added, - - - - -	17
“ died and removed, - - - - -	8
“ present number, - - - - -	170

The Rector, prevented by indisposition from attending the Convention, presents the above report. There is nothing of special interest in the temporal or spiritual affairs of the congregation. While there are many causes of gratitude to the Author of every good and perfect gift, there is much reason for humiliation at the little return of love and devoted obedience, to be found in our midst. Some there are who seem to be alive to every good work, but too great a proportion, are neither zealous for their own salvation or the advancement of Christ's kingdom in the world at large.

J. F. HOFF, *Rector.*

*St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

The present Rector of this Church took charge of it on the 16th of September, 1841. At that time the number of communicants was - 35  
Since added 27, removed 6, died 2, present number, - - 54  
Baptisms, infants 12, adult 1, - - - - - 13  
Marriages, - - - - - 2  
Funerals, - - - - - 6  
Sunday school teachers, males 9, females 6, - - - 15  
" scholars, males 55, females 40, - - - 95  
Contribution (since 16th Sept.) to Missions, \$53.

C. M. BUTLER, *Rector.*

*St. John's Parish, Georgetown, D. C.*

Services rendered from the first of June to the first of September, 1841.  
Baptisms, . . . . . 6  
Marriage, . . . . . 1  
Funerals, . . . . . 3  
Resigned this Parish the first Sunday in September, 1841.

ALEXANDER M. MARBURY.

*Rock Creek Parish, D. C.*

Funerals, . . . . . 1  
Baptisms, adult 1, infants 6, . . . . . 7  
Confirmations, . . . . . 10  
Communicants added, . . . . . 6  
" " from other Churches, . . . . . 9  
Total, (two colored,) . . . . . 64

In conformity with the nineteenth Canon, I have stricken from the list of communicants, the names of twenty-nine persons, all of whom (so far as I know or believe,) ceased to commune, or even attend Church, some time previous to my taking charge of the congregation. The parsonage has been finished. The Divine blessing has attended our labors, for which we desire to be grateful.

W. A. HARRIS, *Rector.*

*Christ Church, Washington Parish, Washington city.*

Baptisms, . . . . .	15
Marriages, . . . . .	7
Funerals, . . . . .	7
Confirmed, . . . . .	5
Communicants, added 5, suspended 1.	

HENRY H. BEAN, *Rector.**Mission Church of the Epiphany, Washington*

After being absent, in consequence of sickness, from the country, for several months, I returned about a year since. During the last summer I was officiating as Chaplain to the House of Representatives, during the extra session. For that period I have to report one marriage and one funeral.

During the last winter, my labors, in which I am now engaged, began in the city of Washington. The necessity for another church in that city had long been felt. A large number of Episcopal families not being able to find seats in the other churches, have been either attending no place of worship or going about among other denominations. The result has been that numbers have become permanently connected with others, and the members of the same family painfully scattered among different denominations.

In view of these wants, a meeting, marked by a most commendable zeal, was held in the basement of Trinity Church.—It was deemed expedient to commence action through a mission Church.—I was invited to officiate, and a room was hired, called the Apollo Hall.

A most praiseworthy co-operation followed on the part of the other congregations and the Rectors. It is a subject for most devout thanksgiving, that by His Holy Spirit, God inspired them to act in a manner so noble, zealous, and disinterested. It was the exhibition of the beauty of Christian principle. Some families from the other congregations, under the approbation of the Rectors, at once joined with us, on the plan aptly called that of *coloming*.

The number of attendants on the public services has been large and increasing. Our Sunday school numbers nine teachers, and about fifty scholars. Beside the usual Sunday services and a weekly service on Tuesday evenings, I held during Lent a daily lecture, with the exception of a few days, when disabled by sickness.

The congregation has been so far organised, that a Board of Trustees has been appointed, who are to act in the collection of subscriptions for a new Church, and the application to that purpose of the funds when collected.



I have to regret my inability to do all I would do. My duty as missionary calls on me to make an extended survey of the city, and to find every one shut from the means of grace. But thus far, the visiting of families who have given in their names, and the preparation for public services, have occupied every instant of my time. The wants of the city, also, require the establishment of Sunday schools, in at least four different positions. This is most earnestly to be desired. But thus far, we have not seen sufficient certainty that if commenced they would be well sustained.

I have to report,

Confirmed, . . . . .	5
Baptism, infant, . . . . .	1
Burial, . . . . .	1
Number of communicants, . . . . .	29

JOHN W. FRENCH.

*St. John's Church, Washington city.*

The Rector reports as follows—

Communicants, . . . . .	110
Marriages, . . . . .	21
Baptisms, . . . . .	35
Burials, .. . . .	6

WILLIAM HAWLEY, *Rector.*

*May 25th, 1842.*

*Trinity Church, Washington city.*

Communicants, added, 40, removed 9, died 4, total, . . .	184
Baptisms, white, adults 4, infants 16, . . . . .	20
Confirmations, . . . . .	48
Marriages, . . . . .	7
Funerals, . . . . .	8

Amount contributed towards missions and other benevolent objects \$700.  
For repairs to the Church, &c., about \$700.

H. STRINGFELLOW, *Rector.*

*May 25th, 1842.*

*Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.*

Baptisms, white 1, colored 2,	5
Funeral,	1
Marriage,	1
Bible classes,	2
Members,	22
Sunday schools,	2
“ teachers,	9
“ scholars,	39
Communicants added 4, whole number,	14

The prospects of reviving this long neglected and greatly depressed parish, are of an encouraging character. In the parish are two houses of worship—The parish Church at Church Creek, and the Chapel on Taylor's Island. The former is sadly out of repair, and what is more, we have neither members nor means to remedy the evil. During the month of April, I administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, for the first time (I am told,) since the Rectorship of Bishop Kemp, at which time I added three males to the communion, and they are all who reside off the Island. There are others, however, who have taken the subject into consideration, and I trust the time is not distant when they will decide in favor of Christ and the Church.—In addition to my regular appointments, I have, by request, preached twice at Tobacco Stick, a small village, equi-distant from Church Creek and Taylor's Island. Here we have no house, and at present but few friends—and yet I have no doubt if we could build a Church, we should soon have a considerable congregation—will the more highly favored parishes extend to us their sympathy, in the form of pecuniary contribution toward this object?

The Chapel on Taylor's Island is in good repair—and has been lately improved by the erection of a gallery, &c. Our congregations are comparatively large—the distinctive features of the Gospel, as embodied and exhibited in the doctrine, discipline and worship of the Church, appear to be gaining the approbation and affection of those who attend our ministrations—and I have no doubt that by constant, persevering, faithful labor in the Sanctuary, and from house to house, this portion of Zion will, by the Divine blessing, be made to flourish as in the olden time, when sects and parties were unknown within her bounds.

MATTHIAS HARRIS.

*Church Creek, Dorchester county, E. S. Md., May 21st, 1842.*

*East Newmarket Parish—Dorchester county.*

Number of communicants,	- - - - -	2
Baptisms, (one colored child,)	- - - - -	2
Funeral,	- - - - -	1
Marriage,	- - - - -	1

Amount of subscription to the Bishop's Fund \$100, the one half of which subscription has already been paid into the Treasury.

ENOCH BAYLEY, *Rector.*

*Cambridge, May 27th, 1842.*

*Christ Church, Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge.*

Baptisms,	- - - - -	16
Funerals,	- - - - -	3
Marriages,	- - - - -	9

Four have been added to the communion—present number 89. Several persons, not included in this number, commune regularly. But as the requirements of canon 8 of the Convention of Maryland, have not been complied with, the Rector does not consider himself at liberty to record their names in the books of the Parish, or to report them as communicants to the Bishop.

The old and contracted chancel of the Church has been removed, and one larger, more elevated, and better adapted to the due celebration of the offices of religion, erected in its stead.

Missionary contributions since the last Convention, \$80 39½.

The subscriptions to the Episcopal Fund amount to \$1062. The instalments have been promptly paid as they became due.

J. A. McKENNEY, *Rector.*

*May 27th, 1842.*

*All Saints' Parish—Frederick. May, 1842.*

Baptisms—infants, white 21, colored 1,	- - - - -	22
Communicants—last reported,	- - - - -	98
“ died and removed,	- - - - -	6—92
“ accessions by removals into the parish, and from other churches,	- - - - -	22
“ added,	- - - - -	14
“ present number, including 22 colored persons,		128

Marriages, white, - - - - - 4

Funerals,—white 13, colored 4, - - - - - 17

Sunday school—as last reported. Contributions to benevolent objects so far as known to the Rector, about \$700.

J. PETERKIN, *Rector*.

*St. Mark's Parish—Frederick county, Md.*

The Rector took charge of this parish on the first of March, and feels himself not sufficiently acquainted with the state of this part of his charge to make a full report.

Marriages, - - - - - 5

Baptisms—infants, - - - - - 3

Number of Communicants not known.

The congregations in pleasant weather very good, but not regular—an evil which, by the grace of God, we hope may be remedied.

O. BULKLEY, *Rector*.

May 26th, 1842.

*St. Paul's Parish—Frederick county, Md.*

Communicants, - - - - - 9

Baptisms—infants, - - - - - 12

Marriages, - - - - - 2

It is now more than two years since the Rector commenced his labors in the field now known as St. Paul's Parish. Since that time a congregation has been collected, the parish regularly organized and received into the Convention, a new Church nearly erected, and the means into about two hundred or three hundred dollars, raised to pay for it. The state of this infant parish is upon the whole encouraging. But far, very far, from being what it ought to be, and what, by the blessing of God, we hope it will be.

O. BULKLEY, *Rector*.

*Zion Parish—Frederick county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 3, colored 2; adults 2, . . . . 7

Confirmed, white, . . . . . 6

Communicants 30, colored 3—added 1, died 1, . . . . 33

Marriage, . . . . . 1

Funerals, . . . . . 2

Amount of collections for Missionary purposes, \$25.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector*.

Frederick city, May 21st, 1842.

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*St. John's and St. George's—Harford county.*

The Rector entered upon his duties in this parish last winter. He is able to report some apparent increase of the congregation, but regrets to add that owing to death, or removals, or other circumstances, the number of communicants in both Churches, falls considerably below the statement of the former Rector. Arrangements have recently been made to secure a residence in the parish, which no doubt will be advantageous to both minister and people. One funeral has been attended.

T. BILLOPP, *Rector.*

*Havre-de-Grace.*

*Chester Parish, Chestertown.*

The undersigned, in entering the eleventh year of his Rectorship in this parish, desires to glorify God for his continued mercies.

The congregation attend as punctually and devoutly now as at any former period, and no minister was ever blessed with a more affectionate people. The number of communicants (though several valued and beloved ones have gone to prove blessings in other parts,) has not been diminished, but the contrary. Bible classes, for about half the year, have assembled at my house twice in each week,—when the weather permitted.—The Sunday school, under the auspicious superintendence of a distinguished member of the congregation, has been highly flourishing. It is a subject of regret, that our Church edifice has been overlooked, while the pious zeal of the congregation has been contributing to extraneous objects, until now it peremptorily requires extensive repairs, which will probably curtail our offerings to other purposes for sometime.

Baptised, - - - - -	9
Confirmed, - - - - -	12
Married, - - - - -	3
Burials, - - - - -	9
Communicants—died, - - - - -	1
“ removed, - - - - -	6
“ present number, - - - - -	62

Contributions, exact amount unknown, but supposed to be upwards of \$500.

CLEMENT F. JONES, *Rector.*

*Shrewsbury Parish.*

Baptisms—infants, white 20, colored 8; adult, white 4,	-	32
Funerals,	- - - - -	5
Communicants—added 9, died 2, present number,	- -	36
Candidates for confirmation, about	- - - - -	12

The above contains a report up to the first of May, when the Rector resigned the Parish. The lower part of the Parish he believes to be flourishing, but has been discouraged at the prospects near the Chapel. The building has been repaired during the last year, but there are very few, it is feared, belonging to it, who have any real attachment to the Church and her institutions.

CHARLES E. PLEASANTS.

May 27th, 1842.

*Prince George's Parish—Montgomery county.*

Baptisms,	- - - - -	8
Marriages,	- - - - -	5
Funerals,	- - - - -	5
Communicants,	- - - - -	70

*St. Bartholomew's Parish—Montgomery county.*

Baptisms,	- - - - -	6
Marriages,	- - - - -	4
Funerals,	- - - - -	4
Communicants,	- - - - -	58

Several valuable members in these Parishes have died since the last report. By this event the Church has sustained a loss, deeply to be lamented by its surviving friends. We have, however, to be truly thankful, that their places have been supplied by others of no inconsiderable promise.

It is with great pleasure also that we are enabled to say, that the late visitation of our Diocesan, and the exercises preparatory to confirmation, arousing the attention of all, have been the means, under God, of a happy change in the prospects of these Parishes—by strengthening their attachment to the institutions of the Church, and their faith in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

L. J. GILLISS, Rector.

Rockville, May, 1842.

*St. Peter's Parish—Montgomery county.*

Baptisms—white 20, colored 19,	-	-	-	-	-	39
Confirmed—white 13, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	-	14
Communicants—white 53, colored 3,	-	-	-	-	-	56
Marriages—white 7, colored 2,	-	-	-	-	-	9
Funerals—white 2, colored 3,	-	-	-	-	-	5

Nothing of importance has taken place in this Parish since the last report.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector.*

*Frederick city, May 21st, 1842.*

*Broad Creek Parsonage. May 24th, 1842.*

Baptisms—adult 1; infants, white 33, colored 21,	-	-	55
Communicants last reported 66, added 14, died 1, removed 3,			76
Marriages—white 7, colored 5,	-	-	12
Funerals,	-	-	10

Contributed for Missions, \$25.

It is a source of great gratification to the Rector to be able to report, that this old, and for many years, very enfeebled parish, has been placed upon a firmer foundation by the completion, during the last fall, of a very comfortable parsonage, every way adapted to the wants of a minister's household. The active exertions of the parishioners are only needed to secure the permanent ministrations of the gospel—as the want of an adequate support for the rector seems to be the only obstacle in the way of the increasing prosperity of the Parish. May He, who has blessed us in the midst of many discouragements and difficulties, give the disposition, as there is no lack of ability.

EDWIN M. VAN DEUSEN, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Alexandria, D. C.*

*Queen Ann Parish—Prince George's county.*

The Rector in presenting his twelfth annual report to the Convention, gratefully acknowledges the goodness of the Lord in sustaining him in all the duties and responsibilities of his ministry in this Parish for twelve years past, and though his labors have not been crowned with the encouraging circumstances, which have attended the ministry of many of his brethren in the cause of the Gospel, yet he has reason to be thankful that those labors have not been altogether unaccompanied with the divine blessing. A few precious

souls, he trusts, have been brought to realize the infinite importance of religion, and have, in the wise appointments of the Church, dedicated themselves to the service of their glorious Redeemer. 'The number of communicants has doubled since the present Rector assumed the pastoral charge, a period embracing nearly the whole of his ministerial life. Sacred and most holy, indeed, is that connexion which exists between a faithful pastor and his beloved flock, and how greatly are his solitudes and anxieties increased, as that connexion is continued from year to year, in the remembrance of the many solemn rites and services in which they have so frequently mingled in the sanctuary, around the altar, and in the family circle. If during the whole period of our ministry, with our respective flocks, but one *immortal being* is eternally saved, so great will be the benefit to that soul, and so largely will it contribute to the joy and glory of our crucified Redeemer, that the *salvation* of that one soul for whom Jesus died, will infinitely more than remunerate the humble laborer in his Master's vineyard, for all his toils, and fears, and sacrifices. *He that turneth a sinner from the error of his ways, shall save a soul from death.* Truly solemn and powerful is this consideration, in the estimation of a faithful minister of Christ, and how ought it to call forth all his energies and love and zeal in the prosecution of the great work given him to do.

Though the Rector mourns over the little success which has followed his feeble labours, and the little spirituality, and zeal, and missionary spirit among his people, he hopes and prays, and must believe, that brighter prospects are before us, and that the Lord will come and bless his *own word*, to the salvation of many, over whom much prayer has been made, but who have resisted all the solemn appeals and entreaties of the cross, until they are now grey-headed, hardened in sin, with diminished susceptibility, and almost ready, we fear, for utter destruction.

The temporalities of this parish, it is gratifying to report to the Convention, are very encouraging. The Rector is supported better than formerly, and his two churches are now in a condition of improvement, not to be surpassed, perhaps, by any of the country churches in the Diocese.

We had the pleasure of a visit from our Bishop, who spent a part of Easter-week with us. The Bishop preached on Easter Sunday at the Parish Church, and during the visitation, consecrated to the solemn worship of God, our new Christian temple, by the name of the *Chapel of the Holy Trinity*. This was a deeply interesting occasion, and attracted more than five hundred persons to witness the imposing ceremony. There were present eight clergymen, all in their robes, whose united responses, mingling with the congregation, imparted a deep and solemn character to all the services of



the consecration, and exhibited more fully the beauty, the adaptation, and the power of the *incomparable formulary* of our Holy Apostolic Church.

Communicants—added 3, present number,	87
Marriages—white 1, colored 14,	15
Funerals— “ 10, “ 6,	16
Baptisms— “ 41, “ 60,	101
Confirmed,	6

Collection for Missions, to be applied to the foreign and domestic departments equally, \$52.

GEORGE L. MACKENHEIMER, *Rector*.

*Good Luck Post Office.*

*St. Paul's Parish—Prince George's county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 49, colored 33,	82
Communicants—last reported, white 119, colored 15,	134
“ died, white,	5
“ removed, white 4, colored 1,	5—10
“ added, white 5, colored 1,	6
“ present number,	130
Marriages—white 6, colored 5,	11
Funerals— “ 19, “ 3,	22

The chapel of this parish, the interior of which, previous to the last Convention, was thoroughly repaired, and the yard enclosed with a neat and strong fence, is now about to be painted and otherwise ornamented. A part of the walls of the Parish Church were taken down in October last and securely re-built, and the interior will be entirely renewed, it is confidently hoped, by the time of the Bishop's proposed visitation in July next.

From the irregularity of services incident to country parishes, not more than twenty dollars were contributed up to March to missions. Since that date the Rector has pursued the plan of subscriptions to be paid weekly if convenient. This method, with the casual contributions, will secure annually a four-fold sum.

SAMUEL C. KERR, *Rector*.

*Nottingham, Prince George's county.*

*St. Mark's—Prince George's county.*

Baptisms—white 1, colored 8,	9
Confirmed,	10

Communicants—died 1, dropped 1, removed 4, added 6,	
“ present number, . . . . .	37
Marriage, . . . . .	1
Funerals, . . . . .	5

*St. Matthew's—Prince George's county.*

Baptisms—white 19, colored 12, . . . . .	31
Communicants—died 1, removed 5, added 5,	
“ present number, . . . . .	89
Marriages, . . . . .	3
Funerals, . . . . .	6
Subscription to the Bishop's Fund, . . . . .	\$ 1,023 00
“ for Missions, . . . . .	156 75
“ for repair of St. Mark's Church, . . . . .	90 00
“ for repair of St. Matthew's Church, . . . . .	285 00
“ from a Lady, for Communion service, . . . . .	30 00

W. PINKNEY, *Rector.*

*Bladensburg, Prince George's county, Md.*

*Trinity Church—Upper Marlborough, Prince George's county.*

During the past conventional year there have been, within the limits of this charge, *three* white marriages, and *four* colored,—there have been *fifteen* white baptisms, (infants,) and *thirty-seven* colored, (infants,)—there have been *nine* deaths of white persons, six adults and three infants; and of colored persons there have been *eight* deaths, four adults and four infants. Since my last report *four* communicants have removed, *two* have died, the name of *one* has been erased, *three* have been added,—the present number of white communicants is *seventy-three*, of colored about *twenty*. In support of the institutions of the Church about *forty dollars* have been contributed.

Total number of Marriages, - - - - -	7
“ “ of Baptisms, - - - - -	52
“ “ of Deaths, - - - - -	17
“ “ of Communicants, - - - - -	93

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, JR., *Rector.*

The spiritual state of this congregation is far from being what every true-hearted Christian among us must desire, whilst there are a few who witness that they have made a good profession, there are many of whom it may be

said, "they have a name to live, and are dead,"—while here and there one is found striving for the "pearl of great price,"—the multitude are engrossed in the pursuit of "Mammon." When will *rational, immortal* man, make the claims and concerns of time yield to those of eternity?

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*St. John's Parish—Prince George and Charles counties.*

Baptisms—white 4, colored 19, - - - - -	23
Communicants—white 49, colored 12, - - - - -	61
Marriages—white 4, colored 5, - - - - -	9
Funerals—white 5, colored 2, - - - - -	7
Sabbath schools, - - - - -	2

For Missions—foreign and domestic, subscribed, \$130.

Assumed the charge of this parish the second Sunday in October, 1841.

ALEXANDER M. MARBURY, *Rector*.

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*Christ Church Parish—Queen Anne county.*

Baptisms—adults 2, infants 16, - - - - -	18
Communicants, - - - - -	7
Marriages, - - - - -	11
Burials, - - - - -	1

NORRIS M. JONES, *Rector*.

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*St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's county.*

This Parish, for some years, has been deemed sunk into irretrievable decay, nor would the undersigned have attempted its revival, but for the interest in its behalf evinced by our Bishop.

Having been destitute of ministerial services for nearly half a century, its two spacious, and once well filled, Chapels, were lost beyond recovery—the one having been illegally sold to the Methodists for the paltry sum of \$60, furnished materials for a brick meeting-house, while the money was appropriated to erecting a school edifice hard by—the other Chapel having been pillaged of its entire wood work and a portion of its walls, was left, by the removal of the road, standing in the centre of a ploughed field. The principal sanctuary, at Church Hill, an edifice of fine proportions, had fared better, having only been shamefully desecrated—and yet, its condition was so

ruinous, that many feared to venture within its sacred enclosure. In this Church our services began with a congregation, numbering of all ages and both sexes, thirty five—The Lord, blessed be his holy name, hath smiled upon our efforts.

Through the exertions of a few laymen and some energetic ladies in neighboring Churches, nearly six hundred dollars have been obtained and expended upon the edifice. Greater mercies still have been vouchsafed. Several were recently confirmed, and others are expected soon to become communicants. Now, however, we have come to a stand—our funds being exhausted, and the repairs far from completed. But we know that nothing is too hard for the Lord God Omnipotent. May he incline the heart of some individual reading this report, to assist our feeble congregation!

Baptism, - - - - -	1
Confirmed, - - - - -	4
Communicants at the beginning of our effort 1, added 5, present number, - - - - -	6

CLEMENT F. JONES, *Rector.*

*St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 12, colored 11, - - - - -	23
Confirmed—white, - - - - -	17
Communicants last reported 36, died 1, removed 1, added 27, present number, - - - - -	61
Marriages—white 3, colored 12, - - - - -	15
Funerals, - - - - -	3

It rejoices the heart of the Rector to be able to say, that this Parish is at present in a flourishing condition. During the past year, the regular attendance upon the services of the sanctuary has been larger than heretofore. The number of communicants has been nearly doubled. The new Chapel at Queen's Town has been completed and consecrated. A Missionary Society has been formed, which promises to raise from eighty to one hundred dollars a year. Perfect harmony and peace reign within our borders. And particularly among the ladies of the congregation, considerable zeal exists in endeavoring to advance the temporal, as well as spiritual interests of the parish. For all these indications of good, God's holy name be praised. May he never leave nor forsake us.

HENRY BROWN, *Rector.*

*Parsonage, Centreville, May 23d, 1842.*

***All Faith Parish—St. Mary's county.***

Baptisms—white 6, colored 23,	-	-	-	-	-	29
Communicants last reported 51, added 2,	-	-	-	-	-	53
Marriages—white 3, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	-	4
Burials—white 5, colored 2,	-	-	-	-	-	7
Contributions to Missionary Society, \$5.						

do. **Prayer Book Society, \$3 46.**

The above is a report from this Parish up to January 6th, 1842, at which time I resigned charge thereof.

**SAMUEL C. DAVIS.**

***All Faith Parish.***

**The subscriber having 'just entered on the duties of this parish, can only report himself as Rector.**

**CHARLES E. PLEASANTS.**

***Post Office, Charlotte Hall, Md., May 27th, 1842.***

**King and Queen Parish—St. Mary's county.**

The subscriber resigned the rectorship of this parish in December last, having resided in it for a period of eight years. During this time he believes, a constant, gradual improvement was going on, and its condition, when his connexion with it terminated, was comparatively prosperous. Much however remains to be effected ; and in his anxiety for the spiritual welfare of his attached parishioners, their late Rector can only continue to pray, Thy will, oh " God be done." He reports the following :

[illegible]

**THOMAS BILLOPP.**

***St. Andrew's Parish—St. Mary's county.***

[illegible]

Communicants—last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	73
Catechumens,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40
Families,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	55

The congregations during the last year have been much larger and more regular in their attendance at church, than ever they have been, since I have taken charge of the parish,—nine years the first of next July. In the spiritual condition of the parish, and its increased number of communicants, “the Lord has blessed the latter end of my ministry much more than the beginning.”

Having been elected Principal of Charlotte Hall School, and agreeing to take charge of it the first of June, the parish will be vacant the first of July.

A more delightful field of labor and riper for its harvest ; a people more devoted to their Church and pastor, more orderly and attentive in the house of God ; and better instructed in the principles of religion ; are not often to be met with in our pilgrimage through life. To them, my vestry, and little children in Christ, it grieves me to say farewell. For them my prayers shall ever ascend. Their kindness and tokens of love I shall never forget.

**JOHN CLAXTON, Rector.**

*Post Office, Charlotte Hall, Md.*

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*William and Mary Parish—St. Mary's county.*

Communicants—(20 colored,)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	120
Baptised—adults 6 ; infants (28 colored) 56,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21

The Church is advancing steadily and surely. The number of communicants is considerably increased, and the work is still progressing.

**R. MITCHELL, Rector.**

*Great Mills P. O. St. Mary's county.*

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*Somerset Parish—Somerset county.*

Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	92

**HENRY CROSDALE, Rector.**

*Princess Anne.*

*Coventry Parish—Somerset and Worcester counties.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	12
Funerals, - - - - -	3
Communicants, - - - - -	52

HENRY CROSDALE, *late Rector.*

*Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county. Salisbury Church.*

Baptisms—infants, - - - - -	3
Communicants—last reported 26, added 1, - - - - -	27
Sunday school—teachers, - - - - -	6
“ “ scholars, - - - - -	25
Collections for Diocesan Missions, \$20 60. Other objects, \$7 00.	

*Spring Hill Church.*

Baptisms—white 17, colored 5, - - - - -	22
Communicants—last reported 44, added 5, died 1, - - - - -	48
Marriages, - - - - -	2
Funerals, - - - - -	4

About a thousand dollars have been expended in repairing the churches of this parish, which are now in a comfortable condition.

Rev. S. G. Callahan has opened a Classical School in this parish; and by his assistance the churches are supplied with services every Sabbath.

K. J. STEWART, *Rector.*

*Stepney Parish. Green Hill Church.*

Baptisms—white, - - - - -	2
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This church still remains in an exposed and ruinous condition, and there is little prospect of the finances of the parish being in a condition to repair it, before it becomes a complete wreck. A missionary is much needed.

*St. Mary's Chapel.*

Baptisms—white 3, colored 8, - - - - -	11
Marriages, - - - - -	2
Funeral, - - - - -	1
Communicants—last reported 9, added 2, - - - - -	11

K. J. STEWART, *Rector.*

*St. Michael's Parish—Talbot county.*

Baptisms—white 3, colored 41,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	44
Marriages— “ 2, “ 6,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32

JOSEPH SPENCER, *Rector.**St. Peter's Parish—Talbot county.*

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
Communicants—last reported,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	91
“ died,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
“ added,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
“ present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	98
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Sunday school—teachers,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
“ “ scholars,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58

Amount of subscription to the permanent fund for the Bishop, \$1,045 00

Benevolent purposes, 420 00

If personal affection does not blind my pastoral judgment, I may report of the general character of this portion of the Church, as of a Christian people. I have officiated once in Denton; and have opened the church on Sunday afternoons, for the benefit of the colored population.

HENRY M. MASON, *Rector.**Easton, 1842.**St. John's Parish, Washington county.*

Baptisms—adults, white 2, infants, white 30, colored 8,	-	40
Confirmed—white 17, colored 6,	-	23
Communicants last reported 91, added 29, died and removed 3,		
present number,	-	117
Marriages—white,	-	2
Funerals—white 3, colored 2,	-	5
Sunday school teachers,	-	15
“ scholars,	-	90



Collections for Prayer Book and Homily Society	-	-	\$25 65
“ Protestant Episcopal Tract Society	-	-	12 00
“ Domestic and Foreign Missions,	-	-	120 00
“ Weekly offerings, - - - -	-	-	108 28

The Rector begs leave to add, that since October last, he has been assisted in the discharge of his duties by the Rev. Russell Trevett, Deacon ; and has thus been enabled to sustain regular services in various outposts of the Parish. A deep interest in the Church, he is happy to believe, is, by these means, extending itself in situations where our primitive system and doctrines have been hitherto almost unknown.

The Parish Church is open upon all the Holy Days, and also at an early hour on Wednesday and Friday mornings. These services are generally well attended, and a sense of their eminent adaptation to foster and nourish truly religious affections, is daily enkindling among the people a deeper and more fervent attachment to the wise and wholesome arrangements of the Church.

A Bible class for familiar instruction in the Holy Scriptures meets every Friday evening.

The Sunday school is under the personal supervision of the Rector, who also catechises the children every Sunday.

A weekly service is held in the Church during the fall and winter months, for the special benefit and instruction of the colored population.

Since the receipt of the circular letter from the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese, on the subject of missionary contributions, a collection has been made, agreeably to his request, upon every Sunday morning, in connexion with the Offertory. The success which has attended this plan, in addition to its Apostolic original, is the surest token of its feasibility and excellence.

In conclusion, the Rector would offer his devout thanksgivings to Almighty God for the evident blessing with which he has been pleased to attend his labors, and for the gratifying appearances of spiritual growth and increase in this portion of His vineyard.

THEODORE B. LYMAN, *Rector.*

*Hagerstown, May 24th, 1842.*

*St. Thomas Church—Hancock, Md.*

Baptisms—adults, white 2, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	3
“ infants, “ 20 “ 7,	-	-	-	-	27—30

Communicants—last reported 42, added 14, died 2, removed 1,	
“ present number, - - - - -	53
Marriages—white 3, colored 4. - - - - -	7
Funerals—white, - - - - -	10

S. W. CRAMPTON, *Rector*.

*All Hallow's Parish—Worcester county.*

Families, - - - - -	48
Communicants, - - - - -	48
Baptisms—children, white 5, colored 2, - - - - -	7
Confirmed, - - - - -	5
Funeral, - - - - -	1
Scholars in Sunday-school, - - - - -	35
Teachers in “ “ - - - - -	8
Catechetical class, - - - - -	25

Children catechised on the morning of every Sunday on which service is performed in the Church; the examination in each parish is performed publicly at the ringing of the bell before commencement of the service.

WILLIAM J. CLARK, *Rector*.

*Berlin.*

*All Hallow's Parish—Worcester county.*

Baptisms—infants, . . . . .	11
Marriages, . . . . .	12
Funerals, . . . . .	7

JOHN P. ROBINS, *Assistant Minister*.

*Snow Hill, May 21st, 1842.*

*Worcester Parish—Worcester county.*

Families in 1841, . . . . .	49
“ since added, . . . . .	2
“ present number, . . . . .	51
Communicants in January, 1841, . . . . .	36
“ since added, . . . . .	16
“ removed, . . . . .	1
“ present number, . . . . .	51

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Baptisms—adults, white 8, colored 1, total,	9
“ children, “ 5, “ 6, “	11
Confirmations,	18
Marriages—colored,	2
Scholars in Sunday school,	45
Teachers in “ “	7
Catechetical class,	16

Catechetical instruction by the Rector before service each Sunday.

The weekly offerings of the Church will be made when a small debt resting upon the Church shall have been removed.

WILLIAM J. CLARK, *Rector.*

*Berlin.*

*Baltimore, May 24th, 1842.*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir;*—It having pleased God, in his wise providence, to cast my lot in this city, it becomes my duty, in obedience to the canons of the Church, to give you a report of my ministerial acts; which I now beg leave to submit:

On the 1st of February, 1842, I accepted the appointment of Domestic Missionary of St. Paul's, the avowed object of which appointment was, to collect and organize, in the north-western section of this city, a new congregation under the name of “Mount Calvary Church.” On the 27th of the same month divine worship was commenced in a room fitted up for the purpose by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, when we had in attendance about thirty persons. The congregation has gone on to increase until we have now, I suppose, about one hundred persons in regular attendance. Thirty persons have joined in the communion, and one has been baptised. We have a Sunday School which numbers 19 teachers and 104 children. With the divine blessing this infant congregation must ere long grow up into a large and flourishing church. The effort we are making is under the immediate patronage of the ladies of St. Paul's, who contribute their funds—through their Rector. It is to be hoped this patronage will continue, though we have no promise of it longer than till the first of August. It would be a pity to suffer an effort so auspiciously commenced, and which promises so abundant success, to languish and die for the want of support.

M. L. FORBES.

*Trinity Parish.*

On the Sundays when service is held in the Parish Church of Trinity Parish, I attend. On other Sundays I hold public worship in my own house.

Baptisms—white 2, colored 2,	. . . . .	4
Marriages— “ 1, “ 1,	. . . . .	2
Burials— “ 3, “ 5,	. . . . .	8

HENRY B. GOODWIN.

*Newport, May 18th, 1842.*

*William and Mary Parish.—Charles county.*

The Rev. John W. Hoffman reports to the Bishop the following services performed by him, since the last Convention, in William and Mary Parish, Charles county, up to December 31, 1841, when he resigned his pastoral charge, January 1, 1842.

Baptisms—white 7, colored 17, total,	. . . . .	24
Marriages,	. . . . .	3
Funerals,	. . . . .	7

Since the commencement of the present year, having been obliged, owing to unavoidable necessity, to be without any stated pastoral charge, he has officiated frequently in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

JOHN W. HOFFMAN.

*May 24, 1842.*

The Rev. Hector Humphreys, D. D., President of St. John's College, Annapolis, reports to the Bishop, that he has no pastoral charge, his engagements with the visitors and governors requiring him to give his whole attention to the Institution. The classes under his charge, are instructed, however, in Natural Theology, and the Evidences of Christianity; and a considerable portion of the Septuagint is read and recited in the course. Since the last Convention he has preached thirty-nine times, in the Churches in Annapolis, Baltimore, and Washington.



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NUMBER OF CLERGYMEN IN THE DIOCESE.

At the last Convention, (1841,)	- - - - -	75
Added, - - - - -	- - - - -	13—88
Removed to other Dioceses, - - - - -	- - - - -	1
Degraded, - - - - -	- - - - -	1
Died, - - - - -	- - - - -	1— 3
		—
		85
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Attended the Convention, - - - - -	- - - - -	57
Absent, - - - - -	- - - - -	28—85



FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

——— *Parish*, ——— *County*, *May 18—*.

Baptisms, .	Adults, white —, colored —, = — }	. . . . .	—
“ .	Infants, do. —, do. —, = — }	. . . . .	—
Confirmed, . .	white —, colored —, . . . . .	. . . . .	—
Communicants, last reported —, added —, . . . . .	— }		
“ died —, removed —, withdrawn —, suspended, — }			
“ present number, . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	—
Marriages, . . .	white —, colored —, . . . . .	. . . . .	—
Funerals, . . .	do. —, do. —, . . . . .	. . . . .	—
Sunday schools, male teachers —, scholars —, }	Teachers, .	—	
“ “ female do. —, do. —, }	Scholars, .	—	

Amount of collections for the different institutions connected with the church.

Remarks by the Rector.

Nearest Post Offices. ——— ———, *Rector*.

## P A S T O R A L L E T T E R .

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TO THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

*Beloved Brethren :*

For twenty years past, the attention of this diocese has been repeatedly and urgently directed by its successive Bishops, to the subject of missions, both within and without its borders. At several conventions, resolutions have been passed, recognizing the bounden obligation to such efforts, and sanctioning various modes of making them.

The result has never been such as might have been expected, in view either of the nature of the duty, or of the ability of those on whom it has been inculcated. Feeble efforts for the resuscitation and extension of the Church within the diocese have been fitfully made, and the share of Maryland in the general missionary operations of the Church, though on the increase, is still far from proportionate to her rank among the dioceses, and yet farther from any, the most moderate estimate of what might be done in our eighty parishes, by their thousands of communing members.

In the mean-while, decaying parishes are yearly falling into more and more hopeless ruin,—feeble bands of our brethren engaged in some places in struggles to save the perishing ; in others to revive the fallen ; in others to nurse up and cherish infant congregations in the newer portions of the State, are discouraged and worn out by their unassisted toils, and souls are ruined and God dishonored by the apathy or selfishness that shows itself but too plainly in the refusal to strive together, bearing one another's burdens.

Solemnly charged as I have been, at the altar of the Lord, when set over this portion of His vineyard, "to hold up the weak, bind up the broken, bring again the outcasts, and seek the lost," I dare not be silent, while this state of things continues. Among the chiefest duties of my office, seems to be that of endeavoring to awaken my brethren in the ministry and the members of their flocks, to a sense of the sin and danger of our present position.

Much, I am well aware, is done already in many parts of the diocese, towards the support and enlargement of missionary undertakings, at home and abroad. It could not be otherwise, with any spiritual life in us. Thank God, that He has not left us without all evidence of His gracious presence to stir up the will of His faithful people to bring forth fruit to the honor of His name ! But what is now done, is partial, irregular, unsystematic, and



wholly inadequate to the demand that presses on us. Three feeble congregations, perhaps, or at most, five, are aided by as many of the strongest and wealthiest. Ten, at least, are left without any help, and in consequence, are destitute of the word and sacraments, starving at our very doors for want of the bread of life. Ten more places where congregations might be gathered, and many souls trained for glory and immortality, are utterly neglected. Two whole counties (a tenth of the State) are without a minister of the church, while in the one many of her members are known to be resident; in the other, the ruins of fallen churches show where once she flourished, and the surrounding graves of their ancestors, call to the present population to return to the blessed home whence they have departed.

At the same time, our General Board of Missions is in need of more support in both departments of its operations; and while neither has received from us anything near the amount that ought to have been contributed, one branch of the foreign effort, which has an especial claim on us, as being under the charge of one of our Clergy, is about to be relinquished for want of means, unless to sustain it, new and vigorous exertions are made.

I am persuaded that the Clergy and Laity of Maryland do not require the enforcement of these claims on their zeal and love, by any exhortations of their Bishop. It is to remind you, brethren, of a duty which seems to have been in some measure forgotten, and in the neglect of which there is the extremest peril, that I now address you: and at the same time, to suggest a mode of its performance and urge its general adoption.

For the receipt and distribution of missionary contributions, we need no new provisions. A Board of Missions, appointed by the convention, is already in existence, and can readily be made the organ of renewed exertions, in whatever channel they may be directed. Regular and general collections are all that is requisite. To make these, will, of course, fall to the province of the Clergy; and to you, my brethren in office and accountability, I look with confidence for the discharge of your duty to God, His church, and the perishing souls of men destitute of the means of grace.

Some years ago, the convention of the diocese fully and distinctly recommended the practice of the inspired injunction, that on the first day of the week, every one of us should lay by in store, as the Lord hath prospered him, for the uses of the Church.

To that practice I would affectionately exhort the congregations throughout the diocese; and in order that the opportunity may not be wanting, recommend the stated use of the Offertory after sermon in the morning service, with a collection, either every Sunday, every other Sunday, or on one fixed Sunday in the month, as the discretion of the Clergyman may see

best, in the differing circumstances of different parishes. Thus the Scriptural direction will be carried out in a mode of the Church's provision; and while all excuse for negligence on the part of individuals is removed by the frequent presentation of the opportunity to contribute, the continual use of the appropriate portions of God's word brought by the Church before the notice of her children in the Offertory, will tend, we may humbly trust, not only to quicken in all present their sense of duty to the spiritually destitute, but to direct their attention to the not less bounden duty of making adequate provision for the maintenance of the institutions of the Gospel among themselves.

It is, I am satisfied, to the want of some such regularly recurring call on their attention, that the Laity of Maryland owe the comparative backwardness in the support of the institutions of the Gospel, with which they have been sometimes charged. No where will be found more readiness to discharge a duty, distinctly brought to view, than among the free-hearted sons of the Church in this diocese. For proof, I might appeal to the measures so successfully prosecuted, now almost to completion, for the provision of an adequate maintenance of the Bishop; to the spirit with which, in every part of the diocese, congregations have set themselves to the work of rebuilding, repairing, enlarging, beautifying, and in no few instances multiplying, their places of worship; and to the liberality by which, in a single county, the foundation has been laid for the permanent endowment of a religious school, to be a fountain of blessing to the Church forever. These facts, and others of a kindred nature, neither few nor inconspicuous, prove that the churchmen of Maryland can and will respond heartily to the call of duty, when made to hear it. Wo is us, brethren of the Clergy, if through our negligence they are frustrated of their reward! when at the last great day of account, the Lord shall say, "inasmuch as ye did not unto the least of these, ye did it not unto me;" how shall we bear to hear the answer, "Lord we knew not that our brethren perished for lack of our assistance; we were never asked; our offerings were not sought?"

It is possible that minor inconveniences may be found to attend the proposed measure. The service will be necessarily lengthened a few minutes. Members of the vestry must be called on to make the collection. The congregations will need to make provision before leaving home, for their contributions and those of their families and dependants, to the treasury of the Lord. The dislike that many not unreasonably entertain to the association of thoughts of money, and the process of collection, with the solemnities of the house of God, must be overcome or set aside.

But, allowing the full weight of all these objections, what are they in comparison with the ends to be attained? The relief of the spiritual necessities of brethren, at home and abroad; the strengthening and extension of the Church of CHRIST; the discharge of a most bounden duty to God our Saviour:—these are objects abundantly sufficient to outweigh them. But it is even more for your own sakes, brethren of the Laity, that I urge you to disregard the petty grievances that may be clearly seen arrayed in connexion with the recommended plan. It is just such sacrifices, of trifling comforts and conveniences and predilections, that try the christian character, vastly more, and more effectually, than the occasional exercise even of the largest liberality, or most heroic self-denial. The mind of the christian is more closely drawn to his Saviour by the frequent effort to remember to make a gift of small account, or to overcome a disinclination to the mode in which the demand is made, than by the resolution once for all to give the aggregate amount: and what is the worth of all our gifts but as evidences and fruits and reacting stimulants, of love to CHRIST and gratitude for the mercies of redemption?

Let me be bold with you, brethren, and say plainly what I feel deeply. You need some such adaption of the divine rule, “Freely ye have received, freely give,” to counteract the lying persuasion of the world, that your time, and property, and personal exertions are your own, to spend as you will, without responsibility for more than the due discharge of duty to society, as constituted for the ends and purposes of this life alone. If this were so, the Gospel of salvation would be proved a lie, and our preaching vain, and your faith also vain. Nothing can be more explicit than the declaration of God’s word, that “ye are not your own, for ye are bought with a price,” even the most precious blood of the Son of God, “who died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.” What releases *you*, brethren, from the obligation that binds your ministers to give up all for the Gospel’s sake, and live a life of unceasing anxiety and toil, and self-denial, and too often penury, for the ministry of the word? Are not *your* souls worth as much as ours? and redeemed at as costly price? and as much included in the stringent reasoning of the inspired Apostle, that for their redemption, all that you have, or can get or do, may be justly claimed in recompense, by Him who saved them? Six days in seven, the concerns of life tend to throw this truth into the shade, and your responsibilities to God assume the secondary (and certainly not less binding,) but less direct form of relative and social duties, the training of a family, support of civil government and institutions, and maintenance of the thousand charities of life. Is it much that on the

seventh, your attention should be called to the indisputable fact that beneath all these, lies your personal indebtedness to the provisions of redeeming love,—that yourselves and all you have are twice owed, to Him who gave you being in this probationary state, and redeemed that being from hopeless misery, by the sacrifice of His own Beloved Son? The only practical acknowledgment you can make of this (and who needs reminding of the worthlessness of any other than a *practical* acknowledgment of such a truth?) is by voluntary contribution towards the maintenance and dissemination of the means of grace, over and above whatever provision a regard for your own soul's health may have constrained you to make for yourselves and families. The freeness of such contribution, and its proportion to your ability, will furnish your own consciences with no unapt ground of estimate of the reality of your sense of obligation for spiritual blessings. Not only as due to God, but also as due on this account to your fellow objects of His mercy and love, what you offer, week by week, at the altar where the symbols of the atoning sacrifice show forth the Lord's death for your redemption and present, to the eye of faith the spotless Lamb of God bearing the burden of your sins, will at once prove, and tend to quicken that faith which is the life of the soul, and worketh by love; while, in the same proportion, the absence or neglect of such a practical test of individual interest in the work and merits of the Redeemer is a loss and injury to the soul's health.

The niggard in wordly things is despised and hated. Poverty's sacred claim is felt and owned by all. Is it our want of faith that makes spiritual poverty less effectual to move our sympathy, and hinders us from perceiving that a want of disposition to spend our time, and pains, and money for its relief, is the worst kind of niggardliness! Surely this must be the case! and yet, in proportion as it is, our own souls are in imminent and awful danger! It must be, because the value of the souls of our kinsmen and fellow citizens, and of those who are perishing without, is less appreciated than their bodily welfare, that we can be content to hear of their wants without prompt and energetic efforts to provide the means of their salvation. But this cannot be, without a corresponding blindness to the value of our common hopes of immortality, an ignorant indifference to the awful mystery of redemption, and a deadness to the love of CHRIST for our own souls, full of guilt and peril.

This disease feeds itself. Every day's neglect of duty makes us more dull to perceive its obligation. The absence of effort to help forward in the salvation of others, begets in us indifference to our own. We undervalue our own share of blessings that we are systematically schooling ourselves to think of little or no importance to our neighbor. God repays our neglect of

His command to impart freely what we have freely received, by allowing the sense of benefit to become obtuse, the actual participation in it to diminish, and finally the love of ease and temporal goods to get the mastery over longings for immortality and bliss, and sheer worldliness to drown all tenderness of conscience, and cut us off from communion with CHRIST and the hope of Heaven.

For such results, it will not cease to be my prayer, that the Father of mercies by the powerful influence of His Blessed Spirit, may deliver those whom He has committed to my charge.

In conclusion, brethren, I will say one word, and but one, of the direct effects that may reasonably be hoped for, from a general, united, and persevering adoption of the plan of a weekly offering through the diocese.

AN AVERAGE OFFERING OF SIX CENTS A WEEK BY EACH COMMUNICANT NOW ENROLLED IN THE DIOCESE, WOULD MAINTAIN TWENTY MISSIONARIES (and twice as many might be most usefully employed) WITHIN THE DIOCESE; SEND TEN MISSIONARIES INTO THE WESTERN STATES; AND ENTIRELY AND EXCLUSIVELY MAINTAIN THE MISSION IN CONSTANTINOPLE, NOW FILLED BY ONE OF OUR CLERGY.

Is it much, brethren, to suppose that, one with another, rich and poor, we are able and bound to make such a contribution, in proof of our love to Jesus, our LORD and Saviour, and to souls purchased with His most precious blood?

Affectionately and faithfully,

Your servant in CHRIST,

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,

*Bishop of Maryland.*

*Baltimore, July 27th, 1841.*

**THE**  
**GODLY QUIETNESS OF THE CHURCH:**

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**A Sermon,**

**PREACHED AT THE OPENING OF THE ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**OF THE DIOCESE OF MARYLAND,**  
**IN ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, BALTIMORE,**  
**ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1842,**  
**BY WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,**  
**BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE.**



## THE GODLY QUIETNESS OF THE CHURCH.

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1 THESS. iv. ii.

Study to be quiet and to do your own business.

THE Church is one. Nothing can be plainer, nothing fuller, than the communication of this truth by our blessed Lord Himself, and his inspired disciples. But what is the oneness of the Church? A oneness of vitality and plastic energy, like that of a plant, an animal, or a living soul? or a oneness of aggregation, like that of a heap of sand, a herd of beasts, a swarm of bees, or an army? On the choice of these alternatives, depend most of the questions that are now agitating Christendom. They are not necessarily at variance. Neither contradicts the other. Aggregation may be the means of organic assimilation, and one life communicate and extend itself through a multitude of parts, having each its lower unity and integrity. It is the exclusive assertion of either view that makes it at once contrariant of the other, and in itself inconsequent and false. The Church is indeed an army of banded soldiers, having each his individual will, subordinated by his military engagement to his captain's law. But the subordination of those individual wills is not the incomplete subjection of mere outward acts to an external sway—an obligation to watch, and sleep, and eat, and dress by rule, and march, and halt, and charge, and retreat at the word of command. It is the conformity of each and all to a higher will, with which they are



brought, more or less perfectly, as it were, into actual contact—a contact like that of divided flesh in a living body, or of a healthy bud with the vessels of an inoculated tree, producing not mere adhesion only, but an intercommunication of vital energy. “I live” said the apostle, “yet not I, but CHRIST liveth in me.” He had not lost his individuality, but it was swallowed up in his union with the LORD, by membership in His body.

Attention to this biform nature of the unity of the Church, so much lost sight of in the controversies of the day, will relieve us from a difficulty that seems at the outset to attend the sacred injunction just announced as the theme of my discourse. If the Church is the embattled host of the LORD, moving under the banners of the Captain of salvation, in a truceless warfare against sin and Satan, how can its members “study quiet?” If each one of us is sworn to be a faithful soldier and servant of the LORD who bought him can there be such a thing as “quiet” for us, while the world around us lives in wickedness, and the purchased property of our Master is devastated in all directions by the stealthy inroads or open incursions of His foe? If the household of the faith, instead of a goodly array of vessels of gold and silver, exhibit walls bared of furniture by hostile spoliation, or a beggarly account of broken sherds and wooden trumpery, are its inmates to fold their hands in inactivity? Is not a call to be up and doing more timely than an exhortation to “study quiet?”

It is impossible not to feel the force of these objections. Their weight is increased, too, by the obviousness of the fact, that activity and energy characterise, in a singular and altogether distinctive degree, the whole history of the Church of CHRIST. From the beginning to this day, always and everywhere, it has been aggressive. Pent up in one direction, its life breaks out in some other quarter. Like some noble river, if at any time narrowed in extent, it deepens its bed, and rushes on with increased rapidity. In any of its members, sluggishness and slumber are symptoms of approaching death. The Church never has been station-

ary. Her living members never can be idle. Onward and upward is their impulse: when they cease to feel it, they cease to belong to her.

But so is the growth of a healthy vine a ceaseless movement. As its buds expand, and its branches spread over the walls, which support instead of limiting their progress, and its tendrils clasp and cling to every obstacle, turning hindrance into help, and its clusters form and fill, there is life and motion in every part, and continual self-extension in the whole. Yet all takes place in the most perfect quiet. No eye perceives the constant circulation of the vital juices that convey nourishment from the root to each remotest branch: no instrument so accurate as to detect the onward advances of the thousand shoots, as they creep from joint to joint of the compact masonry they cover, or the twisting of the tendrils as they fasten on its projections or penetrate its crevices. Silently and imperceptibly the one life of the whole plant works in all its parts, and each, in the discharge of its own functions, contributes to the growth by which the whole is unceasingly and most visibly spreading in all directions, and developing its vital energies, in beauty and productiveness, by the multiplication of its branches, leaves, and fruit.

You perceive, my brethren, how an analogy to which our Lord himself has directed us, explains the seeming inconsistency between the precept of His apostle and the known duty and actual history of His Church. The same divine Hand that works in nature works in grace: and He who in quiet noiselessness crowns the vine with the glory of its wide-spreading foliage and its heart-rejoicing clusters, is able to spread His spiritual vine from the rising to the setting of the sun, and fill her teeming branches with rich fruits of love, and zeal, and holiness, in equal quiet, and so accomplish his own declaration, that His kingdom cometh not with observation.

Nor is the vine the only symbol of the Church from which this lesson may be learned. The apostle himself, whom we have

adduced it to explain, furnishes us with another, equally instructive. In three several epistles, and in each of them more than once, the constitution of the human body is cited by St. Paul as analogous to that of the Church of CHRIST; which is declared, like a living man, as a "whole body" to be "fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, making increase of the body." In the physical development of the human frame, no organ or member can be either wholly idle or wholly unadvantaged. All co-operate in the common growth, and all at the same time grow. Yet there is no separate action, no discernible activity out of the functional use. Lungs, heart, and stomach ply their natural tasks without volition, and in proportion to the healthiness of their action, without consciousness. No *effort* contributes to life or growth. Organ ministers to organ in one ceaseless round of mysterious quiet. Pulses may be counted, inhalations measured, the gastric action stimulated or diminished; but we are none the nearer to the detection of the agency by which all go on, the efficiency of either, or the progress of development by which they jointly bring the puling infant up to hardy manhood. It is when disease is preying on the vitals that their separate functions become discernible in the difficulty or imperfection with which they are carried on, and the quiet of the system is disturbed with equally deleterious result by morbid excitement or torpidity.

That there is a strict analogy between the organic life of the human body, thus maintained, and the constitution of the Church, will not admit of doubt, after the clear, distinct, and reiterated assertion of the fact by the Word of God. St. Paul is not using metaphors, nor bandying rhetorical illustrations, where, to the Corinthians, the Ephesians, and the Colossians, he *explains* the joint relation of Christians to each other and their common Lord, by saying that it is that of members of a living body, having a common life, and growing together, each in the growth of all the

rest, by the energy of that common life, through each, in all. We are bound, then, to believe that the law by which we perceive the vital functions of the human body to be governed, is the law of the spiritual body that it symbolises. Life is then most vigorous, when its mechanism least attracts attention, and there is least of effort in maintaining it. Local excitement is disease. Health is quiet. The Church is to be expected to be least sensible of its own energies, to have its attention least turned to its own agency in its own maintenance and extension, when that agency is most effectual, and the energies exerted are most full and powerful.

It would not be difficult to show that such must be the case, in a very different way,—by taking the other, lower view of the Church's unity. In a well organized army, in full career of conquest, it is not the several corps and their leaders, and still less the minor detachments, their officers or their privates, that know the plan of operation, the amount of effective force, the destination of its several parts, the results of their independent or combined action. Every subordinate may be ignorant of anything more than that he and his comrades make daily marches in a given direction, or keep watch on a given post. The commander knows *why*, and with *what result*. Let faults break up the plan of operations, or a successful defence be undertaken by the enemy, and at once each corps, each officer, each man, acquires a new importance. The more complete the disorganization or the the route, the more essential and the more prominent individual effort appears. Every member of the feeble corps of stragglers that beats off a marauding party in a skirmish becomes a hero to himself and his companions; while the whole might have died or fled unnoticed in the onslaught of a Blenheim or a Waterloo. Widely as the functions and the constitution of an army and those of a human body differ, they agree in this, that the more complete the absorption of the individuality of the members in the corporate unity, the more sound and prosperous their condition.

What, then, shall we think of the pride and glorying of our day—the religious activity of the age? Does the fact that it is our pride and glorying tell well for the condition of the Church? Is it evidence of vigorous health, or of the weakness of disease? Alas, my brethren, I speak in sober sadness, when I express my belief that it is a symptom of the dotage of the world! In the childishness of old age she prattles of exploits of which manhood's ripeness would be ashamed to be reminded. As faith dies out, sentiment prompts to puny imitations of its fruits, and holds them up to its own and others' admiration as signs of life. So are the convulsions of limbs quivering in the struggles of dissolution: but they are the signs of life departing—life banished from its seat, wasting itself in ineffectual efforts to retain its empire.

In so speaking, I would be understood to have in view the incongruous hybrid of yesterday's production, that calls itself, by a fit conjunction of an irreconcilable epithet and name, "the religious world." God forbid that I should use words of such evil augury of our blessed mother, the Bride of CHRIST! Flourishing in eternal youth, she is now waiting for her Bridegroom, if not, it may be, as richly decked in jewels, nor with as eager hope and anxious expectation as when first He left her, yet certainly with a life as real, as little wasted, and as vigorous as in her palmiest days. Her life is ONE, even her present LORD; and in Him is no variableness, nor shadow of turning; the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever. He who wrought mightily to draw men to Himself in the beginning, still works effectually in us, to seek and save the lost.

Nevertheless, the Church herself partakes of the character that prevails around her, and is more or less infected with the bustling, pragmatism of the age. Not content to live and grow, she would fain rend her own bosom to see the pulsations of her heart, and cripple her fair members by contrivances to regulate, control or stimulate their growth. Conversions must be counted,

ordinances and their administrations numbered, good deeds weighed and measured and told out by tale at the corners of the streets, or proclaimed upon the house-tops, or she is not satisfied that they exist. At the risk, too near a certainty, of having them trampled on by swine, her goodly pearls must be brought out on all occasions, and thrust before the heedless and the reluctant in every form, too busily to leave time for their use in her own adornment. Her sons are trained to be sons of Nimshi driving furiously against Samaria, and calling to all they meet, Come with me and see my zeal for the LORD. Statements, reports, acknowledgments, must blazon every accession, every effort, every sacrifice, every gift, every onward movement. Results must be estimated, often in fond anticipation; and discussed—alas! that it should be so!—too often in the spirit of unkindness, distrust, misrepresentation, and recrimination. Zeal, forced as in a hot-bed, becomes sickly and sprouts in fantastic irregularities. Love, like the virgin-blush, dies out by long exposure to the shameless gaze of curiosity. The note of censure put by God's word on a heathen people, that they spent their time in naught else than to tell and to hear some new thing, has become in large measure a characteristic of those who name themselves by the name of CHRIST; and for the sake of novelty, men professing to be working out their own salvation with fear and trembling, not only greedily raven after information of all that transpires within the Church, and all that agitates the troubled sea around her, but are fain to contaminate their hearts with the miserable excitement growing out of personal controversies, and discussions of doctrines half understood, or of laws which they who make them choose rather to render themes of quibble or dispute than to obey.

These are notorious facts. Yet their naked statement is enough to ensure their condemnation as incongruous with the profession of followers of CHRIST. That they so little attract our notice—that they pass so wholly without remonstrance or rebuke—is the

strongest proof that need be given how much we stand in want of the apostle's admonition "*Study to be quiet.*"

There is a peculiar emphasis in that admonition in the original—*παρακαλεσθαι υμας—πιλοτιμεισθαι ησυχάζειν*—we beseech you *to be ambitious* to be quiet—the expression used implying the bestowal of *utmost effort on a worthy object*. Twice only does it occur elsewhere; once when the apostle speaks of his having '*strived* to preach the gospel where Christ was not named,'—having made that the object of his ambition; and once where, in the most solemn strain, he declares the Christian's obligation, to '*labor*, that whether present or absent, he may be accepted of' his Lord. '*To study—to strive—to labor*'—in these three passages, are all versions of the same one term:—a term which the inspired apostles thought the fittest to express the measure of effort with which *all* should endeavor after acceptance at the last great day—with which *he* discharged his trust to spread the gospel of salvation—and with which he beseeches *us* to make "quiet" our object.

"Quiet," it is to be observed, had no connexion in the mind of the sacred writer with inert neglect of opportunity to do good, still less with supine indolence and indifference. The context sufficiently proves that, if proof were needful. It is '*as touching brotherly love,*' to show '*it towards all the brethren,*' and to '*increase more and more*' that we are urged, and *in order so that*, to '*study to be quiet.*' Our study to be quiet, is with the view of '*doing our own business, that we may walk honestly towards them that are without, and have lack of nothing.*' Continual study, diligent advance in the line of duty, is presupposed. The caution is, to avoid uncalled for, rash, obtrusive meddling, unregulated transgression of that line to the right and left, and to follow it without vainglorious attention to our own progress, or busy curiosity concerning that of others.

The fact that the Church is *a body*, possessing an organic life, by virtue of which it lives and grows, implies that every member has not only its place, but its organic functions, which can

neither be neglected nor overpassed, without injury both to itself and all the rest. An eye that heard, or an ear that saw, were the thing possible in the human body, were no less a deformity and a disease, than an eye that saw not, or an ear incapable of hearing. God who made the body, has appointed to each several member its office. His appointment is the line not of duty only, but of utility. Violated either by excess or deficiency, the body is sure to suffer by its violation.

To work out the divine appointment, neither transcending it nor falling short is, then, at once the measure of faithfulness and the bond of the Church's quiet. Where it is done by all, there is health and growth. Where none do it heartily, there can be neither. Where it is partially and irregularly done, whether by some or all, there will be growth indeed, but more or less diseased and barren; the growth of a tympany, a goitre or a wen, of unwholesome corpulence or uncouth distortion. In order that the Church may do its office\* of "making known the manifold wisdom and grace of God," it must live and grow in quiet. Its doing so depends on the temper and conduct of its members.

Restlessness of temper will hinder it. A fault primarily of individuals, this may become contagious, and contaminate a whole community. Wherever found, it indicates too surely a defective faith, or an inadequate appreciation of providential guidance and control. He who believes that his Heavenly Father is of a truth working out His own wise but mysterious ends of mercy and justice by his agency, will be slow to desire and slower to bring about change of any kind. The grace of God, he reads in Scripture, may be frustrated; the purposes of man, however overruled for the accomplishment of general designs, may be allowed to thwart or set aside the divine purposes of mercy to himself. 'Quietly to wait for the salvation of the Lord,' is the choice of the tender heart, the part of lively faith: the doubting and doubleminded cannot attain to it: the bold and careless recklessly

\* Eph. iii. 10.



despise it. A feverish unrest spreads and feeds itself, and leaves neither time nor room for spiritual growth. The individual is dwarfed by it: the community stunted or broken up.

Discontent with our own place and ministry, in its measure, its bearings, or its results, is an effectual bar to the quiet increase of the Church, whether indulged by individuals, or prevalent throughout the body. Discontent will not long exist alone, but is sure to bring in envying and strife as its faithful followers: and "where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work." Besides, the discontented soul cannot profit by its own opportunities of gain and usefulness: fruitless repinings and ineffectual longings consume the time and energies that were given for reaping a golden harvest in the present; it lets go realities to grasp at shadows of its own fancy, and rashly mars the wise and merciful plans of God, in the vain attempt to substitute its own crude schemings, framed to satiate the sickly cravings of a diseased mind. Haughtiness of heart lies at bottom of this evil temper. Never did it vex the man or the Church, that could with a safe conscience take up the profession of the Psalmist, "Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soul is even as a weaned child:"—a profession which, uttered or unexpressed, dwells in the heart and characterizes the demeanor of every true child, and lively and healthy family of God.

Dissatisfied querulousness concerning others is another manifestation of the temper inimical to the godly quiet of the heavenly household. 'Brother, let me pull the mote out of thine eye,' is the unhappy Pharisee's confession of his own spiritual blindness. No surer evidence can be given of a heart yet insufficiently chastised and humbled, than an uneasy anxiety about the doings and responsibilities of those around it. Show me the Church whose pulpit resounds with denunciations of the coldness, the lukewarmness, the hypocrisy, the dead formalism, the grovelling superstition, or the evil living of the surrounding communities that bear

the Christian name, and I will show you a well without water, a tree whose fruit withereth, a body bearing about the seeds of its own dissolution, rotting above ground for the grave. Show me the man whose talk is of his neighbors' profligacy, stupidity, hardheartedness, slow growth in grace, or defection from the spiritual mind and walk, and I will show you a spot in your feast of charity, an empty cloud, puffed up with wind, a branch in danger of the burning. The man who lives by faith in redemption wrought out by the Son of God, has an eye too constantly turned inward for his own need of mercy, and upward on the Source of all his hopes, to have leisure for scrutiny of his brothers' character and walk. The Church that knows its calling, looking for that blessed hope and glorious appearing of its great God and Saviour, is too much occupied in giving diligence to be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless, to indulge in censorious speculations on the ways and end of them that are without.

Yet this home occupation of the Christian individual or community is as much as possible the reverse of a self-satisfied contentment in the contemplation of our own gains, advance, attainments or performances. In them the believer can take no comfort: in their consideration the Church cannot be too little occupied. Unprofitable and unclean is their character, once for all; and it is only by looking away from them to CHRIST, and by constant striving more and more to see and know CHRIST all in all, sanctifying by His blood, and offering with His prevailing intercession our miserable and unworthy services, that we can bear to regard them as at all pertaining to His Name, or tending to His glory. Our own doings, and others' failures and misdoings, are alike useless and dangerous objects of attention. They are "the things behind," which they who with the apostle "press toward the mark for the prize of their high calling" must "forget," spending all their thoughts and efforts in "reaching forth unto those which are before," striving to attain that state in which effort shall be lost in life, and action, by the absorption of the individual human will

into the will of God, reigning in the heart by His indwelling Spirit, become, as it were, involuntary. Thus we "study quiet," and while 'increasing more and more' in love and all its fruits, rise out of the low, carnal tempers of restlessness, discontent, and censoriousness, into that perfect peace and holy joy which they have whose fellowship is with the FATHER, through the SON, dwelling in their hearts by faith.

But the healthy quiet of this life may be destroyed by infractions less obvious than such carnal tempers and their fruits. The ark of God was no less polluted by the meddling curiosity of the men of Beth-shemesh than by the restless rashness of the elders of Israel and the sons of Eli. As many, perhaps, retard their own growth in grace and holiness and that of the Church of God, by indiscreet, unwarranted, irregular exertions; by unhealthy, injudicious curiosity to be informed concerning all that is going forward within and without the walls of Zion; and by busy pragmatismal interference in things too high for them and not committed to their trust; as by indisposition for their own line and sphere of duty. The error is more specious, and therefore the more dangerous. It bears a show of love, and willing obedience, and zeal. It claims, and no doubt truly, to spring from right affections: and offers to prove them by its works. But there it is, precisely, that it fails. The works which prove the life of faith, are the works which God has given us to do. The sacrifice of Saul, usurping Samuel's office, had no sweet savor for the LORD, though offered only when the king had waited beyond the set time, and the host of Israel trembled, and the army of the Philistines were upon them. "Because thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, thou hast done foolishly," was the stern rebuke of his officious zeal. "Thy kingdom shall not continue. The LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart," was the announcement of its consequences.

Saul's zeal in worship, running beyond obedience and humility, showed his want of faith and trusting love. So it is, in our day,

that many and many a breach of the Church's order and the peace of brethren will be found at bottom to be prompted by defective appreciation of the ever present help and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Men dwell on human instrumentalities and means until they lose sight of the heavenly Guest whose presence and agency alone gives them efficiency for good ; and in their forgetfulness of His presence suffer themselves to presume to usurp His place. The one association of His forming, the one organization of His creation for the maintenance and propagation of spiritual life, they treat with comparative neglect, or even wholly set aside as unspiritual, and formal and ill adapted to the wants of man, and turn to a thousand others of their own suggestion and creation. Too zealous to be confined within the limits of His simple provisions for their own and others' edification, their invention exhausts itself in novel forms of effort and means of usefulness. They refuse to hear the directing voice of God where alone it is to be heard since supernatural communications to man have ceased, in the laws and ordinances of those to whom the legislation and discipline of the Church, in its several branches, has been committed. They stray after individual views of expediency and right, and break down wholesome safeguards and set precedents fraught with all manner of evil consequence, without the least intention to do mischief,—because they lack the mind “after God's own heart,” which makes a man crave *to be led*, rather than carve his own line of duty. It is a hard lesson for a zealous, ardent heart, but one of the most needful for those who would ‘serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear,’—rather to forego opportunity, and trust the God of order and abounding grace to make it up in some other way, than venture on a transgression of established rule, or an infringement of settled order and authority. That ‘God is with us of a truth, and foresaw this contingency from the beginning, and yet allowed me to be circumscribed by this and the other rule, and fettered by this and the other restraint, and is able to make my steady adherence

to my position bring about results at which *my* judgment would dictate that I should aim by leaving it, and can cause the direct, undeviating path of duty to lead to ends from which it seems to me far wide,'—such is the humble, single-hearted believer's stay in any sudden emergency or new aspect of surrounding circumstances. He is not afraid to leave himself and consequences with God: and he knows that he can do so, with security against self-deceit and Satanical illusion, only by choosing to sacrifice his own aims and preferences to the general order and harmony.

For nothing, my brethren, have I seen more reason to long and pray, and strive, than for our general agreement in this view of duty. We all desire the advancement of the Redeemer's Kingdom. We burn with anxiety for its accomplishment. We are willing to spend and be spent in the blessed, the glorious cause. Yet few of us are quite free from the blame of *impeding* that which is our heart's dearest wish, and the highest aim of our lives, by leaving, more or less, the low, straight, unpretending, monotonous, often rugged and unpleasant path of daily duty, for some tempting height of unbidden usefulness, or some seducing by-way of novel and temporary expedience. We have each his place: known, fixed limits of social duty, Christian obligation, and ecclesiastical provision, circumscribe it. *There* we can find employment for every gift that we have received of the manifold grace of God, if we do but look for it. Energies and efforts expended *there* are sure to be effectual. Laid out elsewhere, they are thrown away, or worse. Let a man be *quite sure* that he is called of God to a work, or he undertakes it, at his peril. The father at his fireside, the mother in her nursery, the master among his servants and his workmen, the teacher with his scholars, the pastor in his parish, are absolutely certain that all they do, in the cause of their heavenly Master, is the discharge of duty, sure to be blessed, if wisely and well done; to be overruled, if otherwise, for good. The child when bidden of its parent; the servant when ordered or permitted by his master;

the layman when counselled in spiritual matters by his pastor; the clergyman when carrying out the laws, discipline and worship of the Church in their express provisions; may go fearlessly on to follow out the promptings of the liveliest zeal or most exuberant activity. No effort so bestowed can violate the precept to 'study to be quiet.' It is when we are disposed to go beyond those limits that we endanger ourselves and others, assuming responsibilities that do not belong to us, undertaking tasks for which we are not qualified, thrusting our sickle into harvests designed for others, and deranging plans which we are not competent to disentangle from the mazy web of seeming contingencies in which their all-wise Contriver suffers or designs them to lie concealed.

I confess a degree of jealousy of the influence of our religious journals in this respect. They stimulate the curiosity which they feed, and occupy us all, I fear, too much in the concerns of others. It is well that we should take an interest in the welfare and advancement of every part of the kingdom of our Lord—the deeper the interest, the better. But that interest, though it may be innocently gratified in rejoicing over the successes that cheer our brethren, each in his onward path, would be much more safely and more profitably shown in praying for them; and is positively injurious, both to them and for us, when it leads us to substitute talking about the signs of the times, for working in our own calling in our respective spheres. Such a man shall have a score of strong objections to the management of the missions of the Church, who has never fairly attempted to do his share in the work of maintaining them. Such another shall bitterly deplore the danger of heretical perversions, who has done little to inform himself of the true grounds and reasons of his faith, and less to provide the means of information for the young and ignorant around him. Others, again, rejoice in the external indications of prosperity, that seem to be multiplying in our progress, without the slightest effort to meet the increased responsibilities thereby

laid upon us. Every day, as it increases the conspicuousness of our position, increases our obligation to faithfulness in the use of our superior advantages; but we can hardly flatter ourselves that they are even understood, much less turned to account in a proportionate ratio.

We are, indeed, exposed to peculiar temptations in this respect. The temper of our times, and preeminently of our country, is exacting, hasty, rash. More is expected of every man and of every class of means, than any experience warrants, because the rapid advances of some features of civilization have outrun previous expectation. We look for the same acceleration of intellectual movement and spiritual growth that has taken place in physical communication and mechanical operations. We are dissatisfied if it be not perceptible. Like the child that digs up his sprouting seed to learn whether it has taken root, we tamper with the most awful interests, and the most sacred institutions, in our anxiety to see their growth. The most exciting, and therefore the most unmanageable, and if mismanaged, the most dangerous, expedients are resorted to, for hurrying on the increase of the Church by accessions from the world, and the development of the spiritual life in her individual members. The means of grace that make most noise and show are our favorite dependence. Converts that can be mustered, like recruits on a market-day, are our aim, though we know that the risk of desertion to the world and Satan is fearfully increased by their hasty, unadvised reception. In the meanwhile, the softly flowing rills of spiritual influence, that trickle beneath the surface of society, in the form of daily pastoral intercourse with the individuals of the flock, and weekly pastoral instruction of the young, are suffered to dry up. By those we should look to have the vallies of the Lord's heritage clothed with verdure, and not rely on the rushing torrents of human eloquence, that too often, as they sweep before them all they meet, leave behind a devastated track of barrenness. We commit the folly of the husbandman who should sow in unploughed

ground, while we trust, as we do, to preaching, mainly, as the instrument, for turning men from darkness unto light, and training them for heaven,—and leave them to themselves in infancy, and youth, and at home, and in the common walks of life. Line upon line, here a little and there a little, the word must be communicated, ordinarily, to take hold of the heart and change it: but we are unwilling to await the results of so slow a process, and resort to extraordinary means, to the woful neglect of duty in its less inviting forms. The consequence is, that profession is loud, not deep, and professors multiply, but do not grow. We aim at immediate results, and we have our reward—the show of usefulness, and little more. Fearfully few are the instances of high spiritual attainments among us. Overwhelming is the proportion of those members of the Church, in full enjoyment of her privileges, of whom the judgment of charity can hardly say, with positiveness, that they have forsaken all to follow CHRIST,—that they are transformed in the renewing of the mind, to put on the new man in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness. Faith seems to have spread among us in a current, shallow in proportion to its breadth, and to be ever lessening its depth as the banks widen by numerical increase of professed believers.

I know no remedy for this alarming evil, my brethren, but to fall back on the apostolic rule, and ‘study to *be quiet*, and do’ every man his ‘own business’ with a diligence equally unambitious and uncompromising. Let us aim, not at results, but at the discharge of duty. Let us look each man at his own door for occupation. There is enough of it to employ all our cares and faculties, if we do but seek it in the determination to set about it. What is it to us, whether others are up and doing, or slumbering at their posts, while anything that *we* might do, remains undone? What are we concerned, whether Zion is enlarging her borders and multiplying her children, while our own souls starve, or any of those claiming our charities, or committed to our care remain unfed, unclothed, unwatched, or stunted in their spiritual growth



by our remissness? Such *must* be the case, wherever the provisions of the Church are not fully carried out, in all their extent and diversity of application. The training of the young, the discipline of families, the formation of Christian character in meekness, humility, unostentatious liberality, self-denial, and heavenliness of mind and walk, in all who make profession of the Christian name and calling—these things are demanding loudly more attention than they receive. We have but taken *the first step* in drawing men to the word and ordinances: that they may be brought to make their profiting appear to all, in the fruits of the Spirit and the crucifying of the flesh with the affections and lusts, is the far slower, more tedious work that follows. Is it by any means adequately performed? Do we even aim at its accomplishment in the great body of those for whom God in His providence has rendered us more or less responsible by connecting us in the bands of kindred, business, neighborhood or spiritual relation? Do we set before them such high standards of devotion, urge them to such strict practice of godly living, exhort them to such simplicity and thoroughness of faith, such ardency of zeal and love, as may at once condemn the low tone of religious character that prevails around us, and lift above it that of our own community?

Who among us, brethren, dare profess that by thus doing his own business, he has *studied* to be *quiet* himself, and to set forward that ‘godly quietness’ of the Church, which is the ‘effect of righteousness wrought by the Spirit poured upon us from on high?’

Let us pray—let us earnestly and unceasingly pray, for enlarged measures of those gracious influences by which alone we can hope thus to glorify our heavenly Father by exhibiting before men a light, serene, tranquil and pure, growing more and more in all that emanates from Him and assimilates to Him, the Father of lights, in whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning! Amen.

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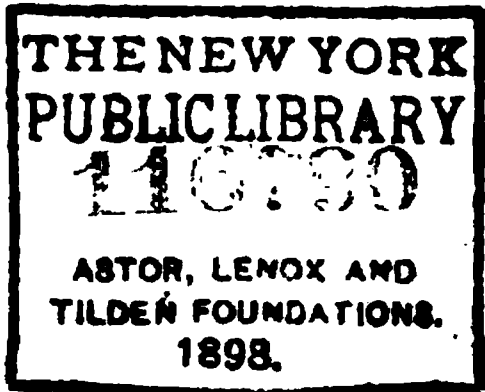
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Sunday schools, male teachers —, scholars —, } Teachers, . —  
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Amount of collections for the different institutions connected  
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At the last Convention, (1842,) - - - - 85  
Added, - - - - - 11—96  
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**Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of St. George's and Havre de Grace Parishes,**  
**Harford county,**  
**Rev. William F. Brand, Deacon, Rector of All Hallows Parish, Anne Arun-**  
**del county.**  
**Rev. Henry Brown, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne county.**  
**Rev. James A. Buck, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Hancock, and officiat-**  
**ing in St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring, Washington county.**  
**Rev. David Hillhouse Buel, Deacon, officiating in the Parish of the Holy**  
**Trinity, Carrol and Baltimore counties.**  
**Rev. Samuel Buel, Rector of Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.**  
**Rev. Olcott Bulkley, Rector of St. Mark's and St. Paul's Parishes, Frederick**  
**county.**  
**Rev. Clement M. Butler, Rector of St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.**

**Rev. Samuel G. Callahan, Assistant Minister of Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.**

**Rev. John H. Chew, Deacon.**

**Rev. Josiah Clapham, Principal of a School in St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county.**

**Rev. William James Clark, Rector of All Hallows and Worcester Parishes, Worcester county.**

**Rev. John Claxton, Principal of Charlotte Hall Academy, St. Mary's county.**

**Rev. S. W. Crampton, officiating in Durham Parish, Charles county.**

**Rev. Henry Crosdale, Somerset county.**

**Rev. John Crosdale, Deacon, Rector of Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties.**

**Rev. Samuel C. Davis, Rector of William and Mary Parish, Charles county.**

**Rev. Thomas B. Flower, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.**

**Rev. Mathias L. Forbes, Rector of St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.**

**Rev. John W. French, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.**

**Rev. Stephen G. Gassaway, Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.**

**Rev. Levin I. Gilliss, Rector of Prince George and St. Bartholomew's Parishes, Montgomery county.**

**Rev. Robert Lloyd Goldsborough, Rector of St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil county, and of Trinity Church, Elkton.**

**Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough, residing in Talbot county.**

**Rev. Henry L. B. Goodwin, residing in Charles county.**

**Rev. Matthias Harris, Rector of Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.**

**Rev. William A. Harris, Rector of Rock Creek Parish, D. C.**

**Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Rector of St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Church, Washington City, D. C.**

**Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D. Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.**

**Rev. John F. Hoff.**

**Rev. John W. Hoffman, Rector of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.**

**Rev. Alfred Holmead, Rector of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, and Chaplain of the Patapsco Female Institute, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Hector Humphreys, D. D., President of St. John's College, Annapolis.**

**Rev. Orlando Hutton, Rector of St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Rector of Christ Church, Baltimore.**

**Rev. Leonard H. Johns, Principal of an Academy in Cumberland, Allegany county.**

**Rev. Clement F. Jones**, Rector of Chester Parish, Kent county, and St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's county.

**Rev. Norris M. Jones**, Rector of Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne's county.

**Rev. John R. Keech**, Rector of St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.

**Rev. John H. Kehler**, Missionary in Allegany county.

**Rev. Henry S. Keppler**, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.

**Rev. John B. Kerfoot**, Rector of St. James's Hall, Washington county.

**Rev. Samuel C. Kerr**, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county.

**Rev. Theodore B. Lyman**, Rector of St. John's Parish, Washington county.

**Rev. George L. Mackenheimer**, Rector of Queen Ann's Parish, Prince George's county.

**Rev. Alexander M. Marbury**, Rector of St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties.

**Rev. Henry M. Mason, D. D.** Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.

**Rev. John N. McJilton**, Rector of St. James' First African Church, and City Missionary, Baltimore.

**Rev. James A. McKenney**, Rector of Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county.

**Rev. Richard Mitchell**, Rector of William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's co.

**Rev. Joshua Morsell**, Deacon, officiating in Frederick City and parts adjacent.

**Rev. John Owen**, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.

**Rev. Francis Peck**, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore.

**Rev. Joshua Peterkin**, Rector of All Saints Parish, Frederick county.

**Rev. Richard H. Phillips**, Principal of a Female School at Urbana, Frederick county.

**Rev. Robert Piggott**, Principal of an Academy, and officiating in Darlington, Harford county.

**Rev. William Pinkney**, Rector of Zion Parish, Prince George's county.

**Rev. Charles E. Pleasants**, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.

**Rev. Robert Prout**, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county.

**Rev. John J. Robertson, D. D.**

**Rev. John P. Robins**, Assistant minister of All Hallows Parish, Worcester county.

**Rev. Joseph Spencer, D. D.**, Rector of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.

**Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart**, Rector of Spring Hill and Stepney Parishes, Somerset county.

**Rev. Horace Stringfellow**, Rector of Trinity Church, Washington, D. C.

**Rev. Fitch W. Taylor**, Chaplain in the United States Navy.

- Rev. Samuel A. Taylor, Deacon, officiating in Reisterstown, Baltimore county, and Westminster, Carrol county.
- Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, and Zion Parish, Frederick county.
- Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Jr. Rector of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, Prince George's county.
- Rev. Russell Trevett, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. John's Parish, Washington county.
- Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, Rector of St. John's Parish, Prince George's county.
- Rev. Richard Henry Waters, Rector of Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.
- Rev. James C. Wheat, Deacon, Principal of Prospect Hall Female School, Hagerstown, Washington county.
- Rev. John Wiley, Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county.
- Rev. Henry Williams, Rector of All Saints Parish, Calvert county.
- Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Rector of Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.
- Rev. Gordon Winslow, Rector of St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel county.
- Rev. George F. Worthington, Rector of Sherwood Church, Baltimore county.
- Rev. Thomas J. Wyatt, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.
- Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D. Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.

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*List of Clergy attending the Convention,*

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| Rev. Henry Aisquith, | Rev. Samuel G. Callahan,  |
| “ Charles C. Austin, | “ William James Clark,    |
| “ John P. Bausman,   | “ John Claxton,           |
| “ Enoch Bayley,      | “ John Crosdale,          |
| “ Henry H. Bean,     | “ Samuel C. Davis,        |
| “ Philip Berry,      | “ Thomas B. Flower,       |
| “ Thomas Billopp,    | “ Matthias L. Forbes,     |
| “ Henry Brown,       | “ John W. French,         |
| “ James A. Buck,     | “ Levin I. Gilliss,       |
| “ Samuel Buel,       | “ Robert L. Goldsborough, |
| “ Olcott Bulkley,    | “ Matthias Harris,        |
| “ Clement M. Butler, | “ William A. Harris,      |

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| Rev. Hugh T. Harrison,    | Rev. James A. McKenney.   |
| “ William Hawley,         | “ John Owen,              |
| “ J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D. | “ Francis Peck,           |
| “ John W. Hoffman,        | “ Joshua Peterkin,        |
| “ Alfred Holmead,         | “ William Pinkney,        |
| “ Hector Humphreys,       | “ Charles E. Pleasants,   |
| “ Orlando Hutton,         | “ Joseph Spencer, D. D.   |
| “ Henry V. D. Johns,      | “ Kensey J. Stewart,      |
| “ Leonard H. Johns,       | “ Horace Stringfellow,    |
| “ Clement F. Jones,       | “ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.    |
| “ Norris M. Jones,        | “ Edwin M. Van Deusen,    |
| “ John R. Keech,          | “ Russell Trevett,        |
| “ John H. Kehler,         | “ Richard H. Waters,      |
| “ Henry S. Keppler,       | “ John Wiley,             |
| “ Samuel C. Kerr,         | “ Lemuel Wilmer,          |
| “ Theodore B. Lyman,      | “ Gordon Winslow,         |
| “ George L. Mackenheimer, | “ George F. Worthington,  |
| “ Alexander M. Marbury,   | “ Thomas James Wyatt,     |
| “ John N. McJilton,       | “ William E. Wyatt, D. D. |

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*List of Clergy, not members, in attendance :*

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| Rev. William F. Brand,  | Rev. Stephen G. Gassaway, |
| “ David Hillhouse Buel, | “ Robert Piggott,         |
| “ John H. Chew,         | “ Samuel A. Taylor.       |

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*List of Clergy, members, not attending the Convention :*

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| Rev. James Abercrombie, | Rev. Robert Prout, |
| “ Walter D. Addison,    | “ John P. Robins,  |
| “ Henry M. Mason, D. D. | “ Joseph Trapnell, |
| “ Richard Mitchell,     | “ Henry Williams.  |



## L A Y D E L E G A T E S

*Who attended this Convention, and the Parishes and Churches which they represented.*

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Mr. Thomas Shriver, Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.  
Doct. William T. Gantt, Severn Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
Mr. T. W. Ligon, St. John's Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
Capt. Benjamin Mullikin, Ellicot's Chapel, Anne Arundel county.  
Alexander C. Magruder, Esq. St. Ann's Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
Doct. Allen Thomas, Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
Mr. John Thomas, St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
Col. John S. Williams, Grace Church, Ellicot's Mills, Anne Arundel county.  
Mr. William Medcalfe, St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county.  
Doct. Thomas C. Risteau, St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.  
Mr. John Rollins Duvall, Church of the Ascension, Baltimore city.  
Mr. John S. Gittings, Christ Church, Baltimore city.  
Mr. John Gibson, }  
Edward D. Kemp, Esq. } St. Paul's Church, Baltimore city.  
Mr. William Krebs, St. Peter's Church, Baltimore city.  
Mr. John Lowry, St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore city.  
Doct. Hervey Colburn, Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore city.  
Mr. John S. Mills, Christ Church Parish, Calvert county.  
Mr. Benjamin W. Harris, St. Augustine Parish, Cecil county.  
Gen. John G. Chapman, Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.  
Mr. Peter W. Crane, William and Mary Parish, Charles county.  
Capt. William Morton, Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.  
A. H. Marbury, Esq. St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.  
Mr. Washington Berry, Rock Creek Parish, D. C.  
Capt. J. L. C. Hardy, Washington Parish, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. William B. Todd, Trinity Church, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. William B. Scott, St John's Church, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. James Steele, of John, Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county.  
Doct. Thomas W. Johnson, All Saint's Parish, Frederick county.  
Mr. Richard B. Murdoch, Zion Parish, Frederick county.  
Mr. A. P. Moores, Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Harford county.  
Hon. Ezekiel F. Chambers, Chester Parish, Kent county.

Mr. Ebenezer T. Massey, Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.  
Mr. Thomas Miller, St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.  
Mr. Samuel R. Gaither, St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county.  
Mr. William Robertson, Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county.  
Mr. Thomas Berry, St. John's Parish, Prince George's county.  
Mr. Pearson Chapman, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties.  
Doct. Washington Duvall, St Mark's Church, Prince George's county.  
Mr. George Forbes, St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county.  
Doct. Hanson Penn, Zion Parish, Prince George's county.  
Mr. Grafton Tyler, Queen Ann Parish, Prince George's county.  
Mr. John Brown, St. Luke's Parish, Queen Ann county.  
William Carmichael, Esq. St. Paul's Parish, Queen Ann county.  
Mr. W. W. Johnston, Somerset Parish, Somerset county.  
Mr. Meyer Lewin, Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.  
Mr. Samuel Hambleton, St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.  
Mr. William H. Groome, St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.  
Doct. Frederick Dorsey, St. John's Parish, Washington county.  
Denard Williams, Esq., All Hallows Parish, Worcester county.

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## **R U L E S   O F   O R D E R.**

**1st.** The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

**2d.** This Convention shall sit for the despatch of business, at 9 o'clock, A. M. and 4 o'clock, P. M., on each day of its session.

**3d.** Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the chair, and remain uncovered until the Convention adjourn.

**4th.** At the opening of each session of the Convention, as soon as the President takes the chair, the names of the clergy, who were entitled to seats at the preceding Convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention; or, in case of his absence, by a Secretary pro tem. to be appointed by the President. The lay Delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table of the Secretary, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be found present, the President shall thereupon declare the fact, and announce that the Convention is organised and ready for business. A Secretary shall be elected. The following committees shall then be appointed by the chair: One of elections, to consist of three, to whom the testimonials of the lay delegates shall be referred; one on accounts, to consist of three; one on parochial contributions, to consist of three; and one on the right of clergymen to seats in this Convention, to consist of three clergymen.

**5th.** If the Bishop of the Diocese shall not be present at any meeting of the Convention, at the opening of the same, the names of the clergy who were entitled to seats at the preceding Convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention; or, in case of his absence, by the first named member of the standing committee who may be present. The lay delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be present, a President, pro tempore, shall be elected, agreeably to the seventh article of the constitution. A Secretary shall be elected; and then the chair shall appoint the several committees mentioned in the fourth rule of order.

**6th.** The standing committee for the preceding year shall be the committee on the state of the church; and all parochial reports shall be referred to the said committee.

7th. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place ; and with respect and decency, address himself to the President.

8th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall declare who shall speak first.

9th. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, except with leave ; nor shall any member be interrupted while he is speaking in order. And if any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order.

10th. Any member called to order by the President, or by a member, shall thereupon take his seat.

11th. When the Convention is sitting, no member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in a debate.

12th. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded ; and if desired by the President, reduced to writing, and read by the Secretary.

13th. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, unless postponed by a motion for postponement, or by the previous question, before any other motion shall be received.

14th. If a question in debate contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

15th. All questions of order shall be decided by the President. Upon all questions of order there shall be a right of appeal from the decision of the presiding officer of the Convention.

16th. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention, unless he may have leave, or be unable to attend.

17th. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

18th. The foregoing rules of order shall be deemed and considered the rules of order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.**

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**BALTIMORE, WEDNESDAY, MAY 31, 1842.**

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, a number of the clergy and laity assembled, at 9 o'clock, A. M. in St. Paul's Church.

Morning prayer having been previously read at 6 o'clock ;

The Litany was read by the Rev. Levin I. Gilliss.

The Bishop of the Diocese took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The list of clergy entitled to seats in the last Convention was called over by the Secretary, when thirty-nine members answered to their names, as follows :

Rev. Henry Aisquith,  
“ Enoch Bayley,  
“ Henry H. Bean,  
“ Thomas Billopp,  
“ James A. Buck,  
“ Olcott Bulkley,  
“ Clement M. Butler,  
“ William J. Clarke,

Rev. Thomas B. Flower,  
“ Levin I. Gilliss,  
“ Robert L. Goldsborough.  
“ Matthias Harris,  
“ Hugh T. Harrison,  
“ William Hawley,  
“ Orlando Hutton,  
“ Leonard H. Johns,

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| Rev. John R. Keech,       | Rev. Joseph Spencer,     |
| “ John H. Kehler,         | “ Kensey Johns Stewart,  |
| “ Henry S. Keppler,       | “ Horace Stringfellow,   |
| “ Samuel C. Kerr,         | “ Edwin M. Van Deusen,   |
| “ Theodore B. Lyman,      | “ Richard H. Waters,     |
| “ George L. Mackenheimer, | “ John Wiley,            |
| “ Alexander M. Marbury,   | “ George F. Worthington, |
| “ James A. McKenney,      | “ Wm: E. Wyatt,          |
| “ John Owen,              | “ Thomas James Wyatt,    |
| “ Francis Peck,           | “ William A. Harris,     |
| “ Joshua Peterkin,        | “ Norris M. Jones.       |
| “ Wm. Pinkney,            |                          |

The following Lay Delegates presented their testimonials and signed the declaration required by the second article of the constitution.

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| J. G. Chapman,       | A. H. Marbury,      |
| J. L. C. Hardy,      | James Steele,       |
| John Gibson,         | Thomas Berry,       |
| Thomas Shriver,      | John R. Duvall,     |
| Washington Berry,    | John Lowry,         |
| Samuel Gaither,      | George Forbes,      |
| William B. Todd,     | Benjamin W. Harris, |
| Grafton Tyler,       | William Robertson,  |
| William Krebs,       | Pearson Chapman,    |
| William H. Medcalfe, | Hanson Penn,        |
| William Morton,      | Samuel Hambleton.   |
| Meyer Lewin,         |                     |

On motion, the Convention proceeded to elect, *viva voce*, a Secretary to the present Convention. Whereupon Hervey Colburn was declared to be unanimously re-elected.

The chair appointed Mr. Francis Asbury Baker, assistant Secretary.

The Standing Committees were then announced, as follows :

ON THE RIGHTS OF CLERGYMEN TO SEATS.

Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Rev. Mr. Hawley, Rev. Mr. Pinkney,

ON THE ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

John Gibson, Esq. Dr. Hanson Penn, Captain J. L. C. Hardy.

ON PAROCHIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rev. George L. Mackenheimer, General Chapman, Samuel R. Gaither.

ON ACCOUNTS.

Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Mr. Thomas Berry, Mr. John R. Duvall.

The Bishop stated his readiness to deliver his address, if the house was prepared to receive it. Whereupon, on motion, the Bishop was requested to proceed with his address.

The Address was then delivered.

*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :*

The affairs of the diocese, of which it is my duty now to make a statement, have on the whole been prosperous, since the last meeting of the Convention. The hand of our God has been upon us for good, to prosper His own institutions, almost every where, and in some instances, in a very unexpected and encouraging degree. The number of clergy and of congregations has increased, notwithstanding losses of the former by removal and death, and reverses of the latter in consequence of the unparalleled pecuniary difficulties of the country. Attendance on public worship and participation in the ordinances are becoming more and more general in a very large proportion of the parishes, and under circumstances that warrant us in believing these to be only the outward manifestations of an inwardly growing spiritual life. The decency and order of worship, and the beauty of holiness in the house of God, are subjects of increasing care. The erection of new churches, and repair and enlargement of the

old, is still going on, to an extent if not nearly commensurate with the needs of the Church, yet greater than might have been expected in the present depressed condition of the community. Vital interest in religion, and intelligent inquiry concerning the Church and its institutions, are spreading with an unprecedented rapidity, among us and around us. Baptisms, confirmations and additions to the communion are multiplying more than in the accustomed ratio. Of confirmations, for example, I have to report *eight hundred and sixty-seven*, a number greater, by one third, than has ever before occurred in a single year, under any circumstances. A still greater increase has taken place in the candidates for Holy Orders, of whom there are now *seventeen*, beside *eighteen* others in various grades of preparation or applicancy for admission. In these things, I conceive, we may humbly take encouragement to believe that a blessing rests upon us, and still more blessings are in store.

On the other hand, we have much yet to deplore. The organised parishes and congregations require at least one-fourth more clergymen than they now maintain; and in too many instances the support of the clergy is miserably poor, precarious, and tardily made up. Decayed parishes and neglected districts, in every part of the diocese, require attention which they cannot receive until the members of the Church awake to a sense of their duty in that respect. Twice the present number of our clergy might be profitably and laboriously employed within the limits of the diocese, were their maintenance provided; and in many cases such provision for a very short term of years would enable them to gather self-supporting congregations. There is in almost all our parishes, from the largest in the cities to the weakest in the country, a lack of efficient organization and exertion for the maintenance and extension of the Church. The will of the people is in advance of the means of action, and spends itself often in irregular and comparatively unfruitful effort, and still more frequently in barren complaint or empty talk. In this



respect, it is generally admitted that we are behind the religious denominations that surround us. We yield to none of them in disposeable means, taking numbers, property and influence jointly into consideration. There is none of them that so badly uses, or rather so miserably neglects to use, the means at its disposal. For this I believe both clergy and laity to be in fault. My brethren in the ministry have been, perhaps, too backward in presenting to their flocks not only in general terms their duty to co-operate in every mode of advancement of the Kingdom of CHRIST, but particular instructions and incitements to definite undertakings. They have shrunk, it may be, from efforts to enlist individuals in the various ways in which they might be employed for the service of the Church, and trusted too much to occasional congregational appeals. On the other hand, the laity are too often shamefully remiss in the discharge of duties which they freely recognise as bounden on them, and very generally slow to offer the counsel and personal aid in the prosecution of the plans of the Church, which they ought to feel it to be among their highest privileges to afford. The burthen of parish affairs is not unfrequently suffered to rest wholly, where it ought *never to lie at all*, on the shoulders of the clergyman. Here and there, where a conscientious individual steps forward to relieve his rector of the unrighteous load, it is transferred to him in the same unshared responsibility and labor; and the many whose highest interests as immortal beings depend on the faithful discharge of such duties in no small degree, sleep as soundly and show their faces in the public congregation as unblushingly as if they had been honest with God and their own consciences. These things, my brethren, ought not so to be. Their existence proves a deficiency somewhere, that is ground of serious alarm. Love must show itself in works. Faith must give evidence of its life in zeal. The Church that trains sons in selfishness and worldly apathy has no ground of rejoicing in the increase of their number. Better far that they were few and faithful.

A want of diligence in the use of the means of grace is another evil prevalent among us, to be owned with shame. To its prevalence, no doubt, in some degree, is to be attributed the remissness in duty on which I have just been remarking. Those who will content themselves with scanty and occasional supplies of spiritual nourishment can hardly be expected to be zealous in making provision even for those supplies, still less in efforts to extend advantages which they so little prize themselves, to others. I know men enjoying competence, who can afford to pay hundreds yearly for the secular education of their children, content to live themselves, and to let their children and numerous dependents live, year after year, without any regular provision for religious worship, incurring with open eyes the fearful risk of a direct violation of the divine injunction *not* to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is. For these things God will surely visit. The profession which allows of such practice, it is not hard to class.

A minor, but still crying evil, and of great extent among us, is the combination of parishes and churches by which, on alternate Sundays, or sometimes for a longer proportion of the time, congregations are deprived of the opportunity of worship. I regret to say that none of the cases mentioned to the last Convention have yet received correction; although in two instances at least, a partial remedy has been supplied, by the services of lay-readers on the Sundays when the ministers are absent. The good attendance on such services, and the growing disposition to procure them where the ministry cannot be obtained, are among the cheering indications of increasing intelligence and sound devotion displayed in a healthy tone of feeling regarding public worship and its requisites.

The extended distribution of the Prayer Book has in part, no doubt, tended to the production of this desirable result. My arrangement with the Prayer Book, Homily and Tract Society of the diocese, by which a collection is made for the support of

its operations wherever I am called in the course of official duty, has been found sufficient for the supply of all demands for the Prayer Book during the past year. On the publication and distribution of tracts the Society has not yet entered. It is time that the Convention took thought for the increase of its efficiency and extension of its system of operations. The resolution passed for that purpose at the last Convention was frustrated by the neglect of the chair to appoint a Committee.

The Diocesan missionary operations have remained stationary during the year. The two clergymen in employ at our last meeting have continued so, without any change in their fields of labour, and with results though not discouraging, yet exhibiting but slow returns for their arduous and faithful toil. The Convention, by appointing on the Missionary Committee at the last meeting, a worthy brother resident at a distance from the city, completely frustrated its own design to give increased efficiency to that department of our work. But two meetings have been convened during the year, no immediate call of business requiring the chairman to impose on the member resident at a distance the tax and trouble of attendance on meetings which in other circumstances might have been deemed expedient for consultation only.

The Diocesan School so cordially taken up by the last Convention, has not received the general support which the action of the Convention warranted me in expecting. The pecuniary difficulties of the year have no doubt been, in great degree, the reason. By them the agent of the Convention has been prevented from prosecuting his work to any considerable extent. The consequence was, that when the appointed time for opening the school arrived, I had to choose between the relinquishment of the design and utter loss of all that had been done, or the assumption of the necessary expenditure for the furnishment of the establishment on my personal responsibility. Mindful of the precept to owe no man any thing, and possessed of no resources beside those

derived for my support from the diocese, I was in a painful dilemma, but finally resolved to trust God and go forward, having a reasonable certainty, in the amount secured to me by the diocese, that the tradesmen to whom I engaged myself would not suffer, whatever might be the case with my own family. The school was accordingly furnished, and opened on the first Monday in October. Another disappointment was then experienced, in the small number of scholars offering. In one respect, indeed, this was an advantage, as the few could be more effectively trained and disciplined, to be the nucleus of the future body. But as the school depended for support entirely on its receipts, and a less number than that to which it had been limited for the first year would not meet the calculation made, it was a serious disappointment added to the other responsibilities already incurred, to have but one-half the expected, and indeed promised number come. Additions have since then been made, and the prospect now is that as many as are provided for by the present arrangements will seek admission. In the meanwhile, the Rector and assistants have been serving the Church, not only without any kind of compensation, but at their own charge. I leave it to the generosity of the Churchmen of Maryland whether such a state of things shall continue.

To that generosity, displayed by a few noble-hearted individuals, I have been indebted for the ability, under unexpected disappointments as to my official resources, to meet thus far, my engagements for the outfit of the establishment. About \$2,200 are yet due, for which, with the accruing interest, provision has to be made. None of this, let it be remembered, is due for the current expenses of the school. For them, the diocese has incurred no liability. The expenditure is simply to set the school on foot. After that it will maintain itself.

That such will be the case, I am more than ever satisfied, after the experiment of the last six months. The success of that experiment has surpassed my most sanguine expectations. Our school

may challenge comparison with any in the country, for thoroughness and efficiency of tuition, and I fearlessly say, surpasses any within my knowledge in moral tone, and happy influence on the manners, habits, tempers, and dispositions of the pupils. This is said after several visits to the school, and diligent inquiry of the parents and friends of the present scholars.

We are now prepared to extend the school as the wants of the Church may require. In proportion to its extension, facilities will be afforded for the education of the sons of clergymen on small salaries, or others having a claim on the consideration of the Church, either at reduced rates of expense, or if need be, wholly without charge.

Am I wrong in looking for the hearty co-operation of the members of this Convention, not collectively only, but in their individual capacities and spheres, in the establishment of an institution so much needed in the diocese, and promising such good results?

Beside the Diocesan School, the others mentioned in my last address continue to do good service to the Church, with the exception of that at Reisterstown, vacated by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Major and his lady, and not yet supplied with a Principal. The Female Academy at Barleywood has passed from the charge of the Rev. Mr. Phillips to that of Mrs. Johnson, who is laboring assiduously in the honorable vocation of training the daughters of the Church, as such, for their stations in society. The Rev. Mr. Phillips has established another school at Urbana, in Frederick county, conducted on the same principles. The excellent female school of the Rev. Mr. Wheat, in Hagerstown, has also to be added to the list of Church schools, consistently conducted. Of the solid and thorough character of the instruction there given, I had the most satisfactory evidence at an examination which I lately attended.

The increasing interest in education, and conviction that to be truly valuable it must be thoroughly religious, is among the most

cheering proofs of the progress of sound principles. We cannot be too diligent in this matter. The hopes of the Church are in the young. Neglect them, and all other effort is little better than thrown away. Train them faithfully for the work of God, and there is no task too hard to be ultimately accomplished. I regard it, therefore, as no small portion of my duty, as overseer of this portion of the Church, and yours, as its legislative council, to watch over, protect, and foster schools, in which religion may be given its due place, and the minds of those who are to take our trusts when we are gone, indoctrinated with the blessed truths, and trained in the holy walk and conversation, for the perpetuation and extension of which we are now assembled.

After this statement of the affairs of the diocese, it is my duty to render an account of the discharge of my office, since we last convened. In that interval I have made three canonical visitations, to as many portions of the diocese, beside a number of occasional visits to separate parishes, for official purposes.

The parishes canonically visited have been *forty-two*, in which I have officiated in *sixty* churches and other places of worship.

Beside these I have occasionally visited *twenty* other parishes, in which I have officiated at *twenty-two* places. In the city of Baltimore I have officiated occasionally in all the churches, and administered confirmation in all but one.

The services thus rendered have been: the administration of the Lord's Supper *sixty* times, beside *three* administrations of the Communion of the Sick; of Baptism *thirteen* times, to *nine* adults, and *twelve* infants; the consecration of *two* churches; the ordination of *three* deacons, and *four* priests; reading service *fifty* times; preaching *one hundred and forty-six* times, beside the delivery of *sixty-six* other addresses; *two* institutions; the celebration of *four* marriages, and *one* funeral; and the administration of confirmation, at *seventy-eight* times, to *eight hundred and sixty-seven* persons.

After the last Convention, I was for some time disabled for public duty by a loss of voice, not sufficient, however, to preclude attendance in my place at the meetings of the Board of Missions of the Church and of the General Theological Seminary, which took place in New York in the last two weeks of June. At the commencement of the Seminary it fell to my lot to deliver the Address to the graduating class, and on the following Sunday, at the request of the Bishop of New York, I preached in St. Mark's Church, on occasion of the ordination of seven of the graduates of the Seminary, belonging to that diocese, to the diaconate. It is matter of deep regret that so many of our candidates are compelled, by valid reasons, to forego the great advantages to be derived from a course of study in the theological school of the Church. The need of thorough training for the ministry is becoming daily greater, as the storms of controversy that rage around us multiply, and threaten to shake even the well-learned from their steadfastness, much more the shallow, self-sufficient sciolist in theology, who has never read enough to learn the extent of his own ignorance. I have given much thought and careful observation to this matter, and believe that duty to the Church requires increasing strictness in the examination of those who seek admission to holy orders. Two guides in such examination present themselves to me: the course of study in the General Theological Seminary, the recognised organ of the Church for the preparation of her ministry; and that heretofore recommended by the House of Bishops. On one or other of these, in its entirety, except in cases of a very peculiar character, I shall feel bound to insist, for the time to come, and hope to ordain none who shall not have proved themselves fully competent for all the arduous duties of the ministry, so far as study can make them competent, in a close scrutiny of their acquaintance with the system of doctrine, discipline and worship of the Church inculcated in her standard authorities.

On my return to Baltimore, in the beginning of July, I received an invitation to accept the rectorship of Christ Church, then recently vacated by the election of the Rev. Dr. Johns to the bishopric of Virginia. After mature deliberation and some consultation, I deemed it inexpedient, in the present condition of the diocesan fund for the support of the Episcopate, to take a step which might be construed into a want of reliance on the good faith of the diocese, and a disposition to secure my maintenance by connexion with a particular congregation. There were reasons, and strong ones, which would have made me favorably disposed to the acceptance of such an offer; but that just mentioned, with others of lesser moment, outweighed them, and I have seen no reason to regret the decision.

On the seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 10th, I set out on a short visitation in the counties of Anne Arundel and Prince George's, in which St. Margaret's, Westminster, Parish; Severn Church; All Hallow's Parish; Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough; St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties; St. John's Parish, Prince George county; and St. Matthew's Parish, in the same county, were included. In St. Margaret's, Westminster, Parish Church, I confirmed 2; in Severn Church, 12; in the Union Meeting House, at the Cross Roads, Head of Severn, 3; in All Hallow's Church, 6 on one day, and one the next; in Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, one in the morning, and two more in the afternoon of the same day; in "Page's Chapel," St. Paul's Parish, 3; in the Parish Church, 18; in Christ Church, Akakeek, 18; in St. John's Chapel (commonly known as "The Bumpy Oak") 4; in Broad Creek Church, 9; in St. Barnabas' Church, 6; in St. Matthew's Church (also called "Addison's Chapel") 9. On Thursday, the 21st, I consecrated to the worship and service of Almighty God St. John's Chapel, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties, a small frame edifice, neatly finished, and on this occasion thronged with a most attentive congregation twice as large



as it could contain. The Rev. Messrs. Wilmer, M. Harris, Kerr, Van Deusen, Buck and Flower were with me in the solemnity, beside the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Marbury. All our hearts were rejoiced by much evidence of the success attending his faithful labours in this populous parish.

On Thursday, July 29th, I made a stated visit to the Parish of St. James, Anne Arundel county, where a series of services were being held by arrangement of the excellent Rector with his brethren. I preached three times in the parish church, confirmed 11 persons, and administered the Communion. It was my last interview with our departed brother, the Rev. William F. Chesley, and has left pleasant memories of the honest, faithful, cheerful zeal with which he labored in his Master's service, and of the respectful love of those whom he had so strongly attached to himself by a long course of ministerial usefulness.

On the Tenth Sunday after Trinity, July the 31st, I visited St. Anne's, Annapolis, preached twice, confirmed 6 persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist. Large congregations were in attendance, all the day.

On the Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 4th, Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, received a stated visit; 10 were confirmed, and the Lord's Supper administered. In the afternoon I preached at the Laurel Factory, where the small upper room set apart for worship and other purposes of general assemblage was filled to overflowing with an attentive congregation, many of whom seemed well acquainted with our service. Yet we have left these poor people unprovided with a place of worship, and of late with regular ministrations, while I had the mortification, at my visit, to see a neat, substantial, Romish chapel nearly completed, for the use of an establishment in which, I was assured, it was not known by the manager that there was a single member of that communion. So much does our zeal for the truth lag behind that of Rome's subjects for their corrupt system !

On the sixteenth Sunday after Trinity I visited St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, where 16 persons were confirmed. In the afternoon of the same day, in the chapel of the Patapsco Female Institute, after divine service for the congregation of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, then unprovided with a place of worship, I confirmed four persons, two of whom were instructors in the Institute. Grace Church congregation is now building a place of worship, for which, with praiseworthy zeal and perseverance, they have succeeded in securing the necessary means. The corner stone was laid a few weeks since.

Monday, September 12th, I devoted to an official visit of the Institute, which abundantly confirmed the high reputation gained for the establishment by its indefatigable and able head. The late examination has afforded still more evidence, if more were needed, how competent Mrs. Phelps is to sustain an institution inferior to none in the country of its kind.

On Sunday, the seventeenth after Trinity, I first officiated in Carroll County, in the Protestant Methodist Meeting House, near Sykesville, thus reviving the services of the Church where they had been extinct for many years. A good attendance was present both morning and afternoon. The next day I officiated twice in a Union Meeting House, seven miles distant, in Anne Arundel county, near Lisbon. A few scattered families remained strong in attachment to the Church in these neighborhoods, and were willing to exert themselves for the resuscitation of the beauty of holiness in its worship, from the dust in which it had long lain buried. Small as the prospect seemed to be, that any one could be found to labour among them for the scanty pittance which they were able to contribute, (insufficient even to pay his board,) the goodness of God provided for their need; and now, by His blessing on the faithful toil of the deacon, who makes proof of his ministry in that neglected corner of the vineyard, a ruined chapel, once belonging to St. Thomas' Parish, at Eldersburg, has been repaired, after twenty years disuse, and for the

first time in twice that period, witnessed the administration of the Holy Communion three weeks ago.

Nor is that the only inroad made by the Church upon a county reported to the last Convention as wholly destitute of its privileges. In Westminster, another able and zealous deacon has been rendering faithful service, though, owing to his distant residence and other avocations, only at long intervals. There is a fair prospect of an arrangement for increasing their frequency and regularity, and gathering the few Church families into a nucleus for a self-supporting congregation in that important county-town.

On Friday and Saturday, September 23d and 24th, being Ember days, I officiated in Emmanuel Church, Cumberland; and on the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, in the same church, admitted to the holy order of Deacons, at the request of the bishop of New York, David Hillhouse Buel, a candidate for orders in that diocese and graduate of the General Theological Seminary. The candidate was presented by his brother, the rector of the parish. The Rev. Mr. Armstrong, of Wheeling, Va., assisted in the Morning Prayer and in the Communion. In the evening of the same day, I preached again in the same church and confirmed 6 persons. The next day in St. Paul's Church, Frostburg, I preached, and administered the Holy Eucharist. An administration of the Communion of the Sick, and two private confirmations, took place during this visit to Cumberland.

On Thursday, the Feast of St. Michael, I confirmed 7 persons in St. Thomas' Church, Hancock, and administered the Holy Communion. The same evening in St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring, I read prayers and preached.

The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity I confirmed 19 persons in St. John's Church, Hagerstown, and administered the Holy Communion. The same afternoon, I administered the Communion for the Sick and a private confirmation.

On Monday, the 3d of October, St. James's Hall, the Diocesan School, was opened with solemn religious services. A large

assembly had convened from the neighbouring country, and attended Morning Prayers, a sermon, and a form of worship appropriate to the commencement of such an establishment, in the chapel of the Institution.

On Wednesday, the 5th, I visited officially the school of the Rev. Mr. Wheat, (now Prospect Hall) in Hagerstown, conducting the opening devotions, and examining a portion of the scholars.

On Thursday, the 6th, in the Female Academy at Barleywood, Frederick Co., under the charge of Mrs. Johnson, I read evening service and delivered a lecture to the scholars and a small congregation gathered by a hasty summons from the neighborhood. The next day, in St. Mark's Church, Merryland Tract, I confirmed 5 persons. On Sunday, the Twentieth after Trinity, after the Holy Eucharist in the morning, I confirmed 27 persons in the evening, in All Saints Church, Frederick.

On Thursday, October 12th, I was called on to present for consecration to the episcopate, the Rev. John Johns, D. D., chosen to the Assistant Bishopric of Virginia. Here where he is so well known, it is utterly unnecessary that I should express the universal anticipation of extensive advantage to the Church from the transfer of our late associate to the higher but more arduous and onerous station he now occupies. The consecration of Bishop Johns took place in the Monumental Church, Richmond, and was performed by the venerable presiding Bishop, assisted by the Bishops of Virginia and North Carolina, and myself.

On the Twenty-Second Sunday after Trinity I made a special visitation of Severn Church, Anne Arundel county, and confirmed 9 persons in the morning and 2 at a private service (illness detaining them at home) in the afternoon. This was the second confirmation in that congregation within four months. Worship was held on this occasion, as at my former visit, in the yet unplastered but neat, substantial and commodious brick edifice, built and nearly *paid for* by a mere handful of church people, aided by con-

tributions gathered from their neighbors by their indefatigable rector. In this church and congregation Mr. Aisquith has shown what *can* be done, under God's blessing sought in faith, by steady zeal and perseverance. It would be hard to find in the diocese a less promising field than that which he has cultivated to the production of a rich and abundant crop, literally laboring with his own hands for his support while devoting himself untiringly to the LORD's husbandry. Thank God, we have more than one or two instances of this kind in the diocese! The zeal that sent out the tent-makers and fishermen of old is yet found among the clergy of the Church, and there are men who are willing and glad to forego their claim to live of the gospel, and minister to their own necessities, while they go among the destitute and the careless preaching the Gospel of God and building up His Church.

On the Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, I ordained to the Priesthood, the Rev. John N. McJilton and the Rev. Thomas James Wyatt, Deacons, the candidates being presented by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, who, with the Rev. Messrs. Billopp, Hoffman, and Peck, assisted in the imposition of hands.

On Thursday, November the 3d, being the day set apart by the Church for Thanksgiving for the Fruits of the Earth, I administered Holy Baptism and the Lord's Supper in St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish. The offerings on this occasion were devoted to the Diocesan School.

On Sunday, the Twenty-fourth after Trinity, I officiated, in compliance with the request of the Vestry, in the Institution of the Rev. Henry Van Dyke Johns to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Baltimore, delivering, on that occasion, a continuation of the discourse which had been begun on the preceding Sunday, at the ordination in St. Paul's. Both parts have since been published, to the advancement, I have reason to believe, of the doctrine of the Church which it was my endeavor to set forth therein.

On Thursday, November 10th, I began my second canonical visitation, comprising the lower counties of the Western Shore, viz: All Saint's, St. Paul's, and Christ Church Parishes, Calvert county; St. Andrews', William and Mary, King and Queen, and All Faith Parishes, Saint Mary's county; and William and Mary, Trinity, Port Tobacco and Durham Parishes, Charles county.

In All Saint's Church, Calvert county, I confirmed 12 persons; in the court house at Prince Frederick, for the congregation of St. Paul's Parish, whose place of worship was then unfinished, 3; in Christ Church Parish Church, 13; in the Chapel, 15; in St. Andrew's Church, St. Mary's, 4; in Trinity Church, William and Mary, 20, (several of whom belonged to the interesting domestic school kept by the excellent rector of the parish in his own house for the training of the young of his flock in the ways of truth and holiness;) in the Parish Church, at "Poplar Hill," 4; in All Saint's Church, King and Queen Parish, 4; in Christ Church, Chaptico, 6, (one of whom belonged to All Faith Parish;) in the Parish Church of William and Mary, Charles county, 22; in Trinity Church, Newport, 7; in All Faith Church, 5; in the Chapel of Trinity Parish, Charles county, 10, (two belonging to All Faith Parish;) in St. Paul's Chapel, Port Tobacco Parish, 4; in Christ Church, Port Tobacco, 6; in the Parish Church of Durham Parish, Nanjemoy, 1.

In this visitation on Monday, the 14th of November, I consecrated to the worship and service of Almighty God, the Parish Church of Christ Church, Calvert county, an edifice erected many years ago, and long occupied for worship in an unfinished state, but now first completed and neatly furnished. Beside the late and then acting Rector, the Rev. Mr. Buck, (who was on the eve of leaving a people generally much attached to him and profiting by his services, for reasons that do him honour,) I was aided in the solemnities by the Rev. Messrs. Pleasants, Prout, and Williams. From that time to the present, Christ Church Parish has continued vacant, having become somewhat involved

in debt, which the members have been paying off. In the meanwhile, Mr. James A. Bond, of the upper congregation, and Mr. James S. Tongue, of that at the Chapel, have kept the churches open by lay-reading, and I am glad to learn with an ordinarily good attendance. All Faith Parish, in St. Mary's, was also vacant at the time of my visit, having so continued for about a year and so continuing to this day. It has both population and wealth sufficient to provide amply for the maintenance of the institutions of the Gospel, and I trust that arrangements of which I have just been informed, will reclaim this waste place of our Zion, by the husbandry of a faithful and efficient parish priest.

On Friday, December 2d, I communicated to the Presiding Bishop my consent to the consecration of the Rev. Dr. Eastburn to the assistant bishopric of Massachusetts, with thankfulness to God for the additional blessing thus to be ensured to His Church.

On Tuesday, the 6th, I set out on a third visitation, embracing the parishes of Great Choptank, Dorchester, and East Newmarket, Dorchester county; Springhill, Stepney, and Somerset, Somerset county; Coventry, Somerset and Worcester counties; All Hallows, and Worcester, Worcester counties; St. Peter's, and St. Michael's, Talbot county; St. Paul's and St. Luke's, Queen Anne county; and Chester, Kent county. Beside the churches and chapels of these parishes, I officiated at the private residence of Mr. Page, in Cambridge; in school houses, at East Newmarket and Baron Creek Springs; in a public house at Quantico; and in the Methodist meeting house at Denton, Caroline county. At this last place the two or three steady, zealous, warm hearted members of the Church there resident received, for the first time of its administration in the place in the memory of man, the holy sacrament of the Eucharist, a preparatory service having been held the preceding evening. Since my visit to Denton, the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, of Myrtle Grove, Talbot county, has kindly officiated for the handful of the faithful there, as regularly as his infirm health would permit him to keep a semi-monthly appointment for that purpose.

In this visitation I confirmed in Christ Church, Cambridge, 9 persons ; in Dorchester Parish Church, Church Creek, 1 ; in the Chapel of the same Parish, on Taylor's Island, 6 ; in Spring Hill Parish Church, 9 ; and again at a second visit, eleven days after, 24 ; in the Chapel at Salisbury, 11 ; in the Chapel of Coventry Parish, at Dividing Creek, 2 ; in the Chapel of the same Parish, on Annimessik Neck, 2 ; in the Parish Church, at Rehoboth, 11 ; in the Chapel of Somerset Parish, at Princess Ann, 3 ; in the Parish Church, at Monie, 5 ; in a Schoolhouse, at East Newmarket, 2 ; in St. Peter's Church, Whitemarsh, 5 ; in Christ Church, Easton, 3 ; in St. Michael's Parish Church, 9 ; in St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry, 6 ; in St. Paul's Church, Centreville, 5 ; and in St. Luke's Church, Church Hill, 1. Of this last edifice I was pleased to find the repairs, though slowly, yet making progress ; and the services of the Church kept up by the disinterested zeal of the faithful rector, more and more appreciated. The good work, I learn, is still going on, and a recent arrangement between the rector of St. Luke's and Chester, and a neighboring brother, provides for a weekly service in that once deserted place of worship.

At Rehoboth, on the 18th of December, being the Advent Ordination Sunday, I admitted to the holy order of deacons, John Crosdale, a candidate for orders in this diocese, presented by his brother, the Rev. Henry Crosdale ; and to the priesthood, the Rev. Samuel Gardner Callahan, deacon, presented by the Rev. Mr. Stewart, Messrs. Stewart and Henry Crosdale assisting in the laying on of hands. The congregation on this occasion was very large, completely filling the spacious edifice in which it was assembled ; and although the combination of the two-fold ordination and communion with a confirmation, and two discourses and an address to the persons confirmed, protracted the services to an unusual length, the interest and devotional demeanor seemed to increase rather than diminish, to the very last. In both the lower counties of the Eastern Shore, the revival of interest in the



Church is very noticeable, and promises an abundant harvest to the faithful brethren who are spending themselves there in untiring labor, of which, indeed, they already begin to perceive the fruit.

Returning to Baltimore on the 2d of January, on the 8th I went to Hancock, Washington county, by invitation of the vestry of St. Thomas' Church, to institute their recently elected rector, the Rev. James A. Buck. That ceremonial accordingly took place, on the morning of the Feast of the Epiphany, the Rev. Messrs Samuel Buel, Lyman, and David Hillhouse Buel, being present and assisting. In the evening of the same day, I confirmed twelve persons, being the second confirmation within four months in the congregation. The next Sunday I officiated in St. John's Church, Hagerstown, and spent the Monday and Tuesday following in an official visit to St. James's Hall.

On Saturday, February 11th, I directed, through the Banner of the Cross, a brief Pastoral Letter to the Clergy of the Diocese, requesting their compliance with the suggestion of the Board of Missions, for a collection in all the Churches on Quinquagesima Sunday. I rejoice to say, that the compliance was very general, and resulted, if not in all that might have been done, in a contribution to the pressing needs of the Missionary work of the Church, fully in proportion to that made by other Dioceses. There is something very refreshing in such simultaneous efforts for given ends. They carry us back to the time when the Church was always and everywhere of one heart and one soul, and exhibit delightfully, as still existing, the oneness of spirit which, when adequately drawn out in unity of effort, may strengthen us to do *anything* undertaken in a right judgment and temper.

On the First Sunday in Lent, March 5th, I confirmed 9 persons in St. James (African) Church, Baltimore.

On Friday and Saturday, March 10th and 11th, being Ember Days, I officiated, and on the Second Sunday in Lent, held the

Lent Ordination, in All Saints' Church, Calvert county; on which occasion the Rev. Enoch Bayley, deacon, was admitted to the priesthood, the Rev. Mr. Williams presenting him, and, with the Rev. Mr. Prout, joining in the imposition of hands. At the same service, I confirmed 4 persons, the confirmation being the second in the parish within six months. On the following Wednesday, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, I held a special ordination, and admitted to the diaconate, Mr. John Hamilton Chew, whose papers had not arrived in time for his ordination in Calvert. The candidate was presented by the Rev. Mr. Williams, of Calvert.

On Monday, March 20th, I held a special confirmation in the place of worship of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore, and administered the ordinance to 3 persons. On the Sunday before Easter, April 9th, in the morning, I confirmed 46 persons, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, and in the evening, 24 in St. Peter's Church. On Tuesday, the 11th, in the place of worship of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore, I confirmed 9; on Wednesday, the 12th, in St. John's Church, Georgetown, 60, (of whom 15 belonged to Christ Church, Georgetown;) on Thursday, the 13th, in the morning, at Christ Church, Washington Parish, 27; in the afternoon, at St. John's Church, Washington, (in a service held for the congregation of the Church of the Epiphany, as yet unprovided with a place of worship,) 51, (of whom 26 were of St. John's Church;) at night, in Trinity Church, 69. The day was stormy, but large congregations, by their serious engagedness, manifested the deep interest taken in these solemnities. Truly, indeed, may our Zion rejoice in so large an accession to her strength, of children owning their Father's voice, and claiming admission to the treasures of His house, drawn in by no sudden or rash excitement; but soberly, humbly, reverently, and in godly fear, addressing themselves to realise the privileges for which the Easter services had been preparing them!

On the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays after Easter,

and on intermediate days, I officiated in St. John's Parish, Washington county, in the Parish Church, twice in the Methodist Meeting House at Williamsport, once in the African Bethel Meeting House at Hagerstown, and in the Chapel of St. James's Hall, on occasion of two official visits. On Wednesday, the 3d of May, I took part in a clerical meeting at St. Andrew's Church, Clearspring, preaching and administering the Holy Communion, the Rev. Messrs. Buel of Cumberland, Morsell of Frederick, and Chisholm of Virginia, with the Rev. Mr. Buck, the rector, being present. On the 16th, I attended an examination, very satisfactorily conducted, at Prospect Hall, the female school of the Rev. Mr. Wheat, myself examining the senior class on the doctrine of the Church, as developed from the Catechism.

On Wednesday, the 17th, I held the second confirmation within the year at All Saints' Church, Frederick, and confirmed 20 persons, a gratifying seal of the success attendant on the diligent exertions of the Rector, Mr Peterkin, and his assistant Mr. Morsell.

The following Sunday, the Fifth after Easter, I held another confirmation in Georgetown, D. C., this time in Christ Church, confirming 32 (of which three were from St. John's Church; an) arrangement of the rectors had devoted the day to joint services for the two congregations, and after a very large Communion at Christ Church in the morning, I officiated in St. John's in the afternoon, and again in Christ Church in the evening.

Finally, last Sunday, in the morning, I confirmed 19 persons in Ascension Church, and in the afternoon, 13 in St. Andrew's, Baltimore.

*Four* Candidates for Holy Orders have been admitted within the year, viz: Samuel Ridout, M. D.; Daniel Henshaw; Hanson T. Wilcoxon; and Edward J. Rutter, M. D. *One*, Mr. Jeremiah M. Rhodes, has withdrawn his name from the list, providential hindrances, not affecting his moral or religious character, interposing. The present Candidates are Eli Stokes,

(a colored man;) John H. Bosley; Samuel J. Evans; Samuel R. Gordon; Charles Tucker; George Armistead Leakin; Alexander Jacob Berger; Dwight Edwards Lyman; Francis Asbury Baker; Richard Clarence Hall; Meyer Lewen; James Cole Tracy; Cyrus Waters; Samuel Ridout, M. D.; Daniel Henshaw; Hanson T. Wilcoxon; and Edward J. Rutter, M. D.; in all *seventeen*: of these, Messrs. Stokes, Tucker, Lyman, Baker, Lewen, and Ridout, have been licensed as Lay Readers.

Licenses as Lay Readers have also been granted to the following lay communicants in good standing, viz: Benjamin I. Dashiell; John A. Thompson; Charles I. Radford; James A. Bond; James S. Tongue; Henry Chamberlain; Harrison H. Webb (a colored man;) and James Wirgman; in all *eight*.

Of the Candidates for Orders, Messrs. Evans and Gordon are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary; and Mr. Hall is on leave of absence from that institution. Messrs. Berger, Leakin, Henshaw and Ridout are in the Theological Seminary of Virginia.

The ordinations of *three* deacons, (one for the Diocese of New York, at the request of the Bishop,) and of *four* presbyters have already been reported; as have also the consecrations of *two* churches.

I have received notice from the Bishop of Connecticut, of the degradation of David L. Devens, Presbyter; from the Bishop of New York, of that of James Roosevelt Bayley and John Knill, Presbyters; from the Bishop of Massachusetts, of that of Samuel McBurney, Presbyter; and from the Bishop of Virginia, of that of James McMechin, Presbyter.

The changes in the clergy of the Diocese have been, the removal of the Rev. William F. Chesley (already noticed) and of the Rev. Purnell F. Smith, a long and deeply afflicted, but cheerfully resigned and patient sufferer, by death; the consecration of the Rev. John Johns, D. D., to the Assistant Bishopric of Virginia; the dismissal of the Rev. Henry Major to the Diocese of

Pennsylvania, of the Rev. Frederick W. Boyd to that of Mississippi, and the Rev. Henry F. M. Whitesides to that of Kentucky; and the addition of the Rev. Samuel G. Callahan (which actually took place before the last Convention but was not then reported, by an oversight,) by letter dimissory from the Bishop of Delaware; of the Rev. Philip Berry, from North Carolina; of the Rev. John B. Kerfoot, the Rev. William F. Brand, Deacon, and the Rev. David Hillhouse Buel, Deacon, from New York; of the Rev. Josiah Clapham and the Rev. Johua Morsell, Deacon, from Virginia; of the Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, and the Rev. Stephen G. Gassaway, from Ohio; and of the Rev. Samuel A. Taylor, Deacon, from Massachusetts; in all ten, making, with the two ordinations, the present number of the clergy, after two deaths, and four removals, *eighty nine*. Mr. Callahan is settled in Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county, as Assistant Minister and teacher of an academy; Mr. Berry, as Rector of King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county.; Mr. Kerfoot as Rector of St. James's Hall; Mr. Brand, as Rector of All Hallow's Parish, Anne Arundel county; Mr. Clapham teaches a school in Frederick county, and renders occasional assistance to the Rector of St. Mark's, in whose parish he resides; Mr. Buel is officiating in the newly organized parish of the Holy Trinity, Carroll county, and at Lisbon, Anne Arundel county; Mr. Morsell is assisting the Rector of All Saints' Parish, Frederick county; Mr. Johns has succeeded his brother in the Rectorship of Christ Church, Baltimore; Mr. Gassaway has been settled in the Rectorship of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C., and Mr. Taylor is officiating in Westminster, Carroll county, and Reisterstown, Baltimore county.

Beside these, the following changes have taken place. The Rev. Enoch Bayley has been appointed Assistant Minister of Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county. The Rev. James A. Buck has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, and accepted that of St. Thomas' Church, Hancock, with which he conjoins the charge of St. Andrew's Church,

Clearspring, Washington county. The Rev. S. W. Crampton, having resigned St. Thomas' Church, Hancock, has accepted the charge of Durham Parish, Charles county. The Rev. Henry Crosdale has resigned the charge of Somerset Parish, Somerset county, and is officiating by appointment from me, as Missionary at the Witch Bridge, on the Wicomico, and parts adjacent. The Rev. John Crosdale, Deacon, has accepted the Rectorship of Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, in which he officiated with much acceptance and usefulness, as a lay reader, previously to his ordination. The Rev. Thomas B. Flower, having resigned the charge of Durham Parish, Charles county, has been called to the Rectorship of St. Paul's Parish, Kent county. The Rev. Matthias L. Forbes has resigned the Missionary station of Mount Calvary, in Baltimore city, having accepted the Rectorship of St. James's Parish, Baltimore county. The Rev. John W. French has been elected Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C., that new congregation having become legally organised. The Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough has resigned the charge of All Hallows Parish, Anne Arundel county. The Rev. John F. Hoff has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C., and is travelling in Europe for the benefit of his health. The Rev. John W. Hoffman has been elected Rector of the newly organised congregation of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore. The Rev. John N. M'Jilton has ceased his connexion with the Missionary Society of Christ Church, Baltimore, and beside his labors in St. James's (African) Church, and at the Hospital, is organising a new congregation in the South West part of the city. The Rev. John Owen having resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Frostburg, has been called to that of Shrewsbury Church, Kent county. The Rev. Robert Piggott has resigned the Rectorship of Ellicott Chapel, Patuxent Forge, and the newly organised congregation at Elk Ridge Landing, and has accepted the Principalship of an Academy at Darlington, Harford county, where he is also officiating

regularly and engaged in the formation of a congregation. The Rev. Charles E. Pleasants has resigned the parish of All Faith, St. Mary's county, and accepted the Rectorship of St. Andrew's, in the same county. The Rev. Dr. Robertson has returned from Constantinople. The Rev. Russell Trevett has been chosen Assistant Minister of St. John's Parish, Washington county, in which he officiates regularly, in addition to his duty at St. James's Hall.

Before concluding, I beg leave once more to call the attention of my brethren of the clergy to the observance of the holy days and seasons of the Church in general, and especially of the fasts of the four weeks before the seasons of ordination. A growing disposition in the laity to avail themselves of the admirable helps to spiritual progress furnished by the feasts and fasts of the Church is quite observable. The least we can do is to cherish and advance it. More particularly do we need to inculcate and practice humiliation and prayer in contemplation of our privileges and the little profit we derive from them. Surely we may hope that joint prayer for more laborers in the harvest now so white, and for more zeal and spirituality and united persevering effort in those who do labor, will not be poured forth in vain! May we not even humbly trust that the great increase in the aspirants to the sacred ministry in the diocese is owing in some degree to our observation of the Ember seasons? and that the more generally and devoutly we consecrate those seasons to earnest prayer for a faithful zealous ministry, abundant in proportion to the wants of the Church, the more we shall find the hearts of fit persons moved to offer themselves for the work, in spite of its privations and crosses and disappointments; and the hearts of the people opened and warmed to provide for the support of a greatly multiplied and extended band of laborers? Let us pray, brethren of the clergy and laity, that the LORD will bless His sheep with pastors after His own heart, and many of them; that He will increase and multiply among us the means of grace, and the gifts which

He gave when He ascended upon high, for the edifying of His body, till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of CHRIST.

We have need to be frequent and earnest in prayers to that effect, when we are visited by the removal of such men as the last two years have taken from us, in the venerable Bishops of Virginia and the Eastern Diocese. They were wonderfully spared to us, when we were not worthy of them. Now that they are taken, to whom shall we look to supply the lack of their cheering presence and edifying example but to Him who lent them to us, and took them back that we might lean on Him alone? The fathers, where are they? and who are we, their sons? To Him, and Him only may we look, who has promised to His Spouse, that instead of her fathers, she shall have children, who shall be taught of the LORD and be found walking in the truth. May the word of His grace so fashion us, that after the example of those who have gone before us to His rest, we may glorify Him upon earth, and cause thanks to be given by many upon our behalf. Amen!

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland.*

Baltimore, *May 31st*, 1843.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to receive applications of newly organised congregations, for admission to union with the Convention.

The chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, Washington Berry, and the Rev. Henry H. Bean.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 4 o'clock, P. M.

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, *May 31st*, 1843.

The Convention re-assembled at 4 o'clock.



The roll was called, and the minutes of the morning's proceedings read and approved.

The following clergymen, not present this morning, took their seats this afternoon.

Rev. John P. Bausman,  
 " Matthias L. Forbes,  
 " Alfred Holmead,  
 " John Crosdale,

Rev. Philip Berry,  
 " Henry V. D. Johns,  
 " Gordon Winslow.

The committee on the election of lay delegates made the following report :

The Committee on Elections report, that the requisite certificates have been laid before them, in reference to the following Lay Delegates, viz :

John S. Mills,  
 John G. Chapman,  
 J. L. C. Hardy, U. S. A.  
 John Gibson,  
 Edward D. Kemp,  
 Grafton Tyler,  
 William H. Medcalf,  
 William Morton,  
 Meyer Lewin,  
 A. H. Marbury,  
 Samuel R. Gaither,  
 Samuel Hambleton,  
 James Steele of Jno.  
 Thomas Berry,  
 William B. Todd,

George Forbes,  
 William Krebs,  
 Doct. T. Gantt,  
 Doct. Thomas W. Johnson,  
 Thomas Shriver,  
 William Robinson,  
 John R. Duvall,  
 John S. Gittings,  
 William W. Johnson,  
 Doct. Hanson Penn,  
 Dr. Allen Thomas,  
 Thomas E. Risteau,  
 Benjamin W. Harris,  
 Washington Berry,  
 A. P. Moores.

Certificates in behalf of the following Delegates have been produced, signed by Rectors of Parishes, viz :

T. W. Ligon,  
 John Lowry,

Pearson Chapman.

The report was accepted.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the three delegates whose certificates were signed by their Rectors, be admitted to seats as members of the Convention.

The Committee on the rights of clergymen to seats, reported the following as entitled to seats in the Convention, which report was accepted.

Rev. James Abercrombie,

“ Walter D. Addison,  
 “ Henry Aisquith,  
 “ Charles C. Austin,  
 “ John P. Bausman,  
 “ Enoch Bayley,  
 “ Henry H. Bean,  
 “ Philip Berry,  
 “ Thomas Billopp,  
 “ Henry Brown,  
 “ James A. Buck,  
 “ Samuel Buel,  
 “ Olcott Bulkley,  
 “ Clement M. Butler,  
 “ Samuel G. Callahan,  
 “ William James Clark,  
 “ John Claxton,  
 “ John Crosdale,  
 “ Samuel C. Davis,  
 “ Thomas B. Flower,  
 “ Matthias L. Forbes,  
 “ John W. French,  
 “ Levin I. Gilliss,  
 “ Robert Lloyd Goldsborough,  
 “ Matthias Harris,  
 “ William A. Harris,  
 “ Hugh T. Harrison,  
 “ William Hawley,  
 “ J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D.  
 “ John W. Hoffman,  
 “ Alfred Holmead,  
 “ Hector Humphreys, D. D.  
 “ Orlando Hutton,  
 “ Leonard H. Johns,  
 “ Henry V. D. Johns,

Rev. Clement F. Jones,

“ Norris M. Jones,  
 “ John R. Keech,  
 “ John H. Kebler,  
 “ Henry S. Keppler,  
 “ Samuel C. Kerr,  
 “ Theodore B. Lyman,  
 “ George L. Mackenheimer,  
 “ Alexander M. Marbury,  
 “ Henry M. Mason, D. D.  
 “ John N. McJilton,  
 “ James A. McKenney,  
 “ Richard Mitchell,  
 “ John Owen,  
 “ Francis Peck,  
 “ Joshua Peterkin,  
 “ Wm. Pinkney,  
 “ Charles E. Pleasants,  
 “ Robert Prout,  
 “ John P. Robins,  
 “ Joseph Spencer, D. D.  
 “ Kensey Johns Stewart,  
 “ Horace Stringfellow,  
 “ Joseph Trapnell,  
 “ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.  
 “ Russell Trevett,  
 “ Edwin M. Van Deusen,  
 “ Richard H. Waters,  
 “ John Wiley,  
 “ Henry Williams,  
 “ Lemuel Wilmer,  
 “ Gordon Winslow,  
 “ George F. Worthington,  
 “ William E. Wyatt, D. D.,  
 “ Thomas James Wyatt.

The following report from the Secretary was laid before the Convention :

In accordance with the requirement of the 5th canon, the Secretary reports the names of the following clergymen, as being absent from the Convention of 1841 and 1842.

Rev. Walter D. Addison,

Rev. Alexander M. Marbury,

“ Leonard H. Johns,

“ Richard H. Phillips.

Respectfully submitted,

H. COLBURN, *Secretary.*

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to examine the Journal of the last Convention, to ascertain whether there is any unfinished business.

The following gentlemen were appointed :

Rev. Robert L. Goldsborough, Rev. Samuel Buel, Lieut. A. H. Marbury.

It was *Resolved*, That the Convention go into an election of the Standing Committee to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to wait on the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, and request a copy of his sermon, preached this morning, for publication.

The chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Pinkney and Rev. Mr. Butler said committee.

On motion the Convention then adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING, *June 1st*, 1843.

The Convention met at 9 o'clock.

The roll was then called, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who may be present on this occasion, and are not members of this body, be invited to take seats as honorary members of this Convention.

The Committee on unfinished business made the following report :

The Committee on unfinished business report, that they do not find any thing upon the last Journal which requires the action of this Convention.

R. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH.

*Chairman of the Committee.*

The following lay delegates not present yesterday, presented their testimonials, which were approved; and signed the Declaration.

William Carmichael,

John Thomas,

Ebenezer T. Massey,

Alexander C. Magruder,

Richard B. Murdoch,

John Brown,

William H. Groome,

Dr. Frederick Dorsey,

Peter W. Crane,

Hervey Colburn,

E. F. Chambers,

Dr. Washington Duvall,

Denard Williams,

J. S. Williams,

William B. Scott,

Benjamin Mullikin,

It was on motion, *Resolved*, That when this Convention adjourn it adjourn to meet in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

The Committee on the admission of new Congregations reported as follows:

The Committee appointed to consider applications for the admission of New Parishes and congregations into union with this Convention, respectfully report, that they have had two applications before them, in both of which the requisitions of the laws of the State and canons of the Church have been complied with, and they therefore recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution and act:

1. *Resolved*, That Mount Calvary Church in the city of Baltimore be received into union with this Convention.

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An Act to establish the Parish of the Holy Trinity in Carroll and Baltimore counties.

*Be it enacted*, That the territory belonging now to St. Thomas' Parish, Baltimore county, contained within the following limits, beginning at Hamilton's Ford on the Patapsco Falls, and running with the public road to Liberty road, up the Liberty road to the Deer Park road, across the North branch of the Patapsco to Nicodemus' Mill road, up said road to the old dividing

line between Baltimore and Frederick counties, down said line to the line of Anne Arundel county, and down with the Patapsco Falls to the place of beginning, be, and the same hereby is, made a separate parish, to be known as "the Parish of the Holy Trinity in Carroll and Baltimore counties," and entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to other parishes by the Vestry law of the State of Maryland, and by the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

J. P. K. HENSHAW,  
HENRY H. BEAN,  
WASHINGTON BERRY.

The report was accepted, and the Resolution and Act were passed, whereupon the Rev. J. W. Hoffman, Rector of Mt. Calvary Church, was reported as entitled to a seat in this Convention; and Hervey Colburn, lay delegate from Mt. Calvary Church, Baltimore.

At 10 o'clock the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee.

Rev. Samuel G. Callahan and William Krebs, Esq. were appointed Tellers.

The committee on the election of lay delegates asked for instructions relative to the certificate of a delegate from St. John's Church, Washington City, whereupon, on motion, William B. Scott, Esq. of St. John's Church, Washington City, was admitted to a seat in this Convention.

It was on motion *Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's address as refers to St. James' Hall, be referred to a Committee of five.

The Chair appointed the Hon. E. F. Chambers, the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, the Rev. Dr. Wyatt,\* the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, and Alexander C. Magruder, Esq. said Committee.

The Committee on Accounts made the following report:

The Committee on Accounts beg leave respectfully to report, that they have examined the Treasurer's account, and find it to be correct. Of the amount

\* The Rev. Dr. Wyatt, being unable to serve, withdrew from the Committee.

paid to the committee on parochial contributions last year, the sum of \$187, is mentioned as being of "doubtful application," the committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Convention fund pay over to the Treasurer of the Episcopal Fund the sum of \$187 to be applied to the increase of the permanent fund for the support of the Bishop.

HUGH T. HARRISON,  
THOMAS BERRY,  
JOHN R. DUVALL.

The Resolution recommended was, on motion, adopted.

The Chairman submitted the account of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, whereupon,

On motion, the Rev. Mr. Keech, John S. Gittings, Esq. and Capt. Benjamin Mullikin, were appointed a committee to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund.

The special agent appointed at the last Convention to make collections for the Diocesan School, made the following report:

The special agent appointed at the meeting of the last Convention to make efforts to secure the funds necessary for the establishment and outfit of St. James' Hall, begs leave respectfully to report, that in compliance with the wishes of the Convention, he visited a number of parishes, and spent several weeks in the discharge of the duty. To accomplish the object in view, it was found necessary to pass a Sunday in each parish, that the subject might be brought fully before the assembled congregation. This, together with the personal applications, which it was also needful to make, required the devotion of nearly a whole week to a single parish. The little time which the agent was able to secure from the discharge of his own parochial duties, and the great embarrassment of the times, every where so much complained of, have seriously interfered in promoting that measure of success which the Convention seemed to anticipate. He has secured subscriptions only to the amount of about \$400, a small part of which has as yet been paid in. As it is altogether out of his power, consistently with parochial engagements, to devote the time requisite to the further prosecution of the agency, he sincerely hopes that some other plan may be devised by this Convention which promises to be more effective.

THEODORE B. LYMAN.

BALTIMORE, *June 1st*, 1843.

On motion, the report was referred to the Committee appointed on so much of the Bishop's address as refers to St. James' Hall.

It was on motion *Resolved*, That the Secretary of this Convention be authorized to employ a suitable person to transcribe the Journal of 1842, and that of the present session, and that an appropriation of fifty dollars be made to defray the expense thereof.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet at 4 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, *June 1st*, 1843.

The Convention met at 4 o'clock.

The roll was called, after which the minutes of the morning's proceedings were read, and approved.

The Tellers in the election of the Standing Committee presented the following report :

The Tellers appointed to receive and count the ballots on the election of the Standing Committee, report, that the whole number of votes given was ninety-nine, and that the

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| REV. DR. WYATT,    | } | <i>Are elected<br/>for the<br/>Western Shore.</i> |
| " LEVIN J. GILLIS, |   |                                                   |
| " WM. HAWLEY,      |   |                                                   |

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| REV. DR. SPENCER,   | } | <i>For the<br/>Eastern Shore.</i> |
| " JAS. A. MCKENNEY, |   |                                   |
| " CLEMENT F. JONES, |   |                                   |

The Rev. Mr. Billop who has the next highest vote, having less than a majority of the whole number, is not elected.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention proceed to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

It was *Resolved*, That 2000 copies of the Bishop's Charge to the Clergy be published for distribution with the Journal.

On motion, the Convention adjourned, to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, *June 2d*, 1843.

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock.

The Litany was read by Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, after which the roll was called, and the minutes of Thursday afternoon's proceedings were read and approved.

The Committee on Parochial Contributions made the following report, which was accepted :

|                                                                   | Convention Fund. |
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| St. Michael's, Talbot county, . . . . .                           | \$12 00          |
| Spring Hill, Somerset county, . . . . .                           | 6 00             |
| Trinity Parish, Washington City, . . . . .                        | 14 00            |
| Rock Creek, D. C. . . . .                                         | 6 00             |
| Zion Church, Frederick county, . . . . .                          | 6 00             |
| Great Choptank, Dorchester county, . . . . .                      | 6 00             |
| Queen Anne, Prince George's county, . . . . .                     | 14 00            |
| Christ Church, Georgetown, . . . . .                              | 8 00             |
| Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, . . . . .                         | 12 00            |
| Somerset Parish, Somerset county, . . . . .                       | 6 00             |
| St. James, Anne Arundel county, . . . . .                         | 9 00             |
| King and Queen, St. Mary's county, . . . . .                      | 6 00             |
| St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county, . . . . .                 | 6 00             |
| All Saint's, Calvert county, . . . . .                            | 4 92             |
| St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . . . . | 9 00             |
| St. John's Church, Washington county, . . . . .                   | 9 00             |
| Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, . . . . .                      | 43 29            |
| St. John's Parish, Prince George's county, . . . . .              | 6 00             |
| St. John's, Charles and Prince George's counties, . . . . .       | 6 00             |
| St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, . . . . .                      | 14 00            |
| Christ Church, Calvert county, . . . . .                          | 6 00             |
| St. Thomas, Hancock, Washington county, . . . . .                 | 6 00             |
| St. Augustine, Cecil county, . . . . .                            | 6 00             |
| William and Mary, Charles county, . . . . .                       | 9 00             |
| St. John's Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . . . .                 | 6 00             |
| Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, . . . . .                    | 6 00             |
| St. John's Parish, Baltimore county, . . . . .                    | 6 00             |
| St. Stephen's, Cecil county, . . . . .                            | 7 00             |

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| Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, | 6 00  |
| Christ Church, Baltimore City, . . . . .                   | 72 00 |
| St. Anne's, Annapolis, . . . . .                           | 6 00  |
| Chester Parish, Kent county, . . . . .                     | 6 00  |
| Coventry Parish Somerset, and Worcester county, . . . . .  | 6 00  |
| St. John's, Washington City, . . . . .                     | 6 00  |
| All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county, , . . . . .         | 6 00  |
| St. Mark's, Frederick county, . . . . .                    | 6 00  |
| St. Mark's, Prince George's county, . . . . .              | 6 00  |

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The Committee on Parochial contributions report the foregoing Parishes to have paid the sums respectively credited to them.

GEORGE L. MACKENHEIMER,  
J. G. CHAPMAN.

Amount paid to the Committee on Parochial Contributions \$375 17—Paid to the Treasurer, since the Convention adjourned,

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| St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, . . . . .             | \$36 00 |
| Trinity Parish, Charles county, . . . . .            | 6 00    |
| Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, . . . . .         | 6 00    |
| St. Mary's, Cecil county, . . . . .                  | 5 00    |
| Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county, . . . . . | 2 50    |
| St. James's Parish, Baltimore county, . . . . .      | 6 00    |
| St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, . . . . .    | 6 00    |
| St. Paul's Church, Calvert county, . . . . .         | 5 00    |
| St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, . . . . .              | 45 00   |

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R. H. OWEN, Treasurer.

June 14th, 1843.

The following petition was presented from members of Port Tobacco Parish.

We the undersigned, said to be citizens of Port Tobacco Parish, do pray the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, to attach us to St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles County.

The reason they make this prayer to the Convention is, that the nearest Church to us in Port Tobacco Parish, is ten or eleven miles distant from

our residence, and that Christ Church, in St. John's Parish, is not more than five or six miles. And as now the *supposed* division line between the two Parishes, is the Matawoman main branch, which is not more than one or two miles from Christ Church; we therefore pray, that the Convention may appoint a Committee, to establish a division line between said Parishes, so as to bring us, the subscribers, into St. John's Parish. We would further state that no other reason exists for our wishing to be in St. John's Parish, but the convenience of attending Church.

SAMUEL SHREFF,  
ELISHA JONES,  
WASHINGTON F. COX.  
A. F. BEALLE,  
JOHN B. TUNER,  
EDWARD JONES,  
NEHEMIAH S. KINNAMON,  
CHARLES T. KINNAMON,  
GEORGE F. HARRIS,

GEORGE H. BERRY,  
CORNELIUS ROBEY,  
WILLIAM WILLET,  
JUDSON CLEMENTS,  
NANSAY WILLET,  
ELENDER WILLET,  
MATTHEW BOSWELL,  
JOHN S. DEMONT.

It was, on motion, *Resolved* that the petition of several members of Port Tobacco Parish asking a change of the lines of that Parish, be referred to the Vestries of Port Tobacco Parish, and of St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties, with the recommendation of the Convention that they agree upon a dividing line between those parishes, consulting the convenience of the parishioners, and the welfare of the Church, and report the same to the next Convention of the diocese.

At 10 o'clock, the Convention proceeded to the order of the day, viz: to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee, the Chair appointing the Rev. S. G. Callahan, and Wm. Krebs, Esq. as Tellers.

On motion, leave of absence was granted to the Rev. Dr. Spencer and the Rev. Mr. Waters, and to Mr. Thomas, of St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.

The Committee appointed to wait on the Rev. Dr. Henshaw to request a copy of his sermon for publication, reported that they had performed that duty, and had received from Dr. Henshaw a letter, which was then read, whereupon it was *Resolved*, that the

Committee be requested to renew their application to the Rev. Dr. Henshaw and assure him of the sincere desire of the Convention to obtain a copy of his sermon, the last which the Convention can expect from him to the Church of Maryland, of which he has so long been a minister, and which he is about to leave for another and higher field of labour.

The Tellers in the election of a member of the Standing Committee presented the following report :

The Tellers appointed to receive and count the votes given to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee, report that the whole number of votes given is eighty six, of which number,

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| Rev. Thomas Billop has | - | - | - | - | 43 |
| “ H. V. D. Johns,      | - | - | - | - | 37 |
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And that the Rev. Mr. Billop having received but one-half the number of votes cast, there is no election.

The Committee on the admission of new Congregations into union with this Convention made the following additional report :

The Committee have had under consideration a petition from the Rector and Vestry of the Church of the Epiphany, recently organized within the limits of St. John's Parish, in the City of Washington, D. C. to be received into union with this Convention as a new parish within certain bounds and metes defined in the petition.

The Committee rejoice at this new indication of the advancement of our communion in the capital of the nation, and think it highly desirable that an additional Church should be erected there. They regret however, to find that owing to ignorance of the Vestry Law of 1798, the memorialists have not furnished evidence that the consent of the majority of the parishioners within the prescribed limits, as required by the 33d section of the said law, has been obtained, and furthermore that the vestry of St. John's Parish, although in common with their Rector, anxious for the establishment of the New Parish—yet owing to the near vicinity of the site selected for the proposed Church to the present Parish Church, have felt it to be their duty to forward to this Convention a protest against the granting of the petition from the congregation of the Epiphany, without reference to their approbation.

But inasmuch as the Vestry of St. John's express a willingness that the parish should be divided upon fair and equitable principles, having reference to the wants of the Church and the accommodation of the Parishioners—and as your Committee are persuaded that an adjustment of the different views of the respective parties may be brought about by amicable conference between them, it is deemed best to recommend to the Convention the following *provisional Act*.

*An Act to Divide St. John's Parish, in the City of Washington, D. C.*

*Be it enacted*, That a new Parish be established in the City of Washington, D. C. within the following metes and bounds, viz: beginning at 7th street west, being the western limitation of Trinity Parish in said city, and extending to 14th street west, and extending within these limits from the northern to the southern limits of the city.

*Provided*, That this Act shall be of no effect until it be approved by the Rector and Vestry of St. John's Parish, or by a majority of the Parishioners thereof, entitled to vote for vestrymen, residing within the limits prescribed in this Act.

The Parish which it is the design of this Act to establish, shall be known as "The Epiphany Parish, in the City of Washington," and whenever the foregoing proviso shall have been complied with, and confirmed by this Convention, it shall be received into union with the Convention, and be entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to separate Parishes by the Vestry Law of the State of Maryland, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

J. P. K. HENSHAW,  
HENRY H. BEAN.

Whereas an application has been made to separate the Parish of All Hallows', Worcester county, sustained by the votes of the majority of the Parishioners and of the Vestry, upon a certain condition expressed in the memorial, therefore the Committee to whom the matter was referred recommend to this Convention the passing of the accompanying Act.

*An Act to divide All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county.*

*Be it enacted*, That a new Parish be and the same is hereby established within the limits of All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county, within the following metes and boundaries. To commence at Bennet's Mill, thence to Harper's Mill, thence to Girdlestone Hill, thence to Hezekiah Taylor's landing on the Bay-side, thence along the Bay-side to the line of Virginia, touching Accomack county, thence along the line between Worcester county in Mary-

land and Accomack county in Virginia, until it arrives at Pocomoke river thence up the said river to Corcker's Creek leading into said river, and along said Creek to the place of beginning. The said Parish shall be known by the title of St. John's Parish, Worcester county, and be intitled to all the rights and privileges secured to separate parishes by the laws of the State of Maryland, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

J. P. K. HENSHAW,  
HENRY H. BEAN,  
WASHINGTON BERRY.

The report was read a second time, and the question being put severally on the Acts therein contained, they were passed.

The Committee appointed to consider so much of the Bishop's address as related to St James's Hall, and report thereon, presented the following report, which together with the accompanying resolutions was unanimously adopted.

The Committee to which was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to St. James's Hall, have given the subject their careful consideration. —Since the last Convention the institution has been open for the reception of students, of which it numbers at present about twenty, with five instructors, the Rev. Mr. Kerfoot being the Principal. While, however, it is a source of much satisfaction to find it actually commencing its career, it is not by any means to be supposed that it can now be safely left to pursue its course without further aid. We must not blind our eyes to the fact that difficulties and obstacles still lie in its path. Against these it is equally incumbent to provide; and redoubled diligence may find encouragement, if it need it, in the recollection that the enterprise which it urges to completion, has passed successfully through its earlier stages.

The experiment thus far favorably made, cannot be pronounced complete until the institution has been placed in a position to support itself. Its energies, all which it will need to meet its own continually recurring necessities, must not be diverted to other ends, or in its struggles to bear more than it can carry, its strength will fail. To secure, therefore, at this juncture, the efficiency of the establishment, the committee are of opinion that a vigorous effort must at once be made to relieve it entirely from the liabilities already incurred. It cannot fail to be perceived, that the present is a crisis in the affairs of the institution. That it has gone into operation will be known by

many who can never know how the movement commenced, and who will of course naturally conclude that it wanted nothing when it started. If its progress be hereafter impeded by the obstacles which, though unseen, attended the very commencement of its career, the blame will inevitably be laid, not on its difficulties, but on itself, and what was really its misfortune will be counted as its fault. Now or never, therefore, is the time to remove the stumbling blocks from its way, and to enable it without distraction or embarrassment, to enter on its duties. Difficulties enough will be found in the state of the times and the diminished facilities of parents for the education of their children to which the times give birth. We must not suffer the addition to these unavoidable difficulties, of others, which ought not to embarrass its progress.

From the Bishop's address, and from other sources, the committee find that the debt already incurred and soon to become due, amounts to \$2,200. It was contracted for the necessary furniture of the institution, and the creditors hold the personal guarantee of the Bishop for its discharge. This sum, therefore, it is at this moment indispensable to procure. How shall it be obtained? It must of course be raised within the diocese. We cannot look abroad for it. But what course will be likely to be successful within our limits? The exigency, as has been already shown, is pressing, and to fail now hazards every thing. Whatever therefore is to be done, must be efficiently as well as promptly done. Personal application to individual liberality is out of the question. This resource has been already employed to the full extent to which it can be relied on. What then is left but an appeal to the collective Church? *It* called the institution into being—to *its* interest and welfare the institution is devoted. And shall the Church permit its own offspring to see the light only to languish and die? Better had it been to leave the enterprise untried, than to incur the shame and responsibility of failure. Who shall hereafter ever have the courage to raise his voice for the cause of Christian education within our borders, while the recollection lingers on his mind, that once a noble scheme was suffered to perish, when but half the energy which brought it forward was wanting to put it beyond the reach of danger? The committee cannot believe that more is needed than to state to the Church the imminent hazard in which lies one of its most cherished plans. The institution is no thought of yesterday. The Convention of 1836 committed the inquiry into its feasibility to a committee appointed for that purpose. At the succeeding Convention that committee brought forward, in an able report, the reasons in favour of such a movement, and with so great effect, that the Convention expressed its unanimous concurrence in the

views presented. From that time onward the design was never suffered to languish, yet no specific plan promising success was devised, until the recent step, which secured the magnificent structure which now opens its doors to the children of Maryland Churchmen. Shall resolution thus far proof against every obstacle, now give way?—Shall the vessel struggle on against wind and wave only to founder in sight of port? Let no unworthy fears cross our minds. If that hope for the future, which we may well cherish from the recollection of past success, be not enough to animate the desponding,—if the repeated pledges of successive Conventions furnish in present difficulties no ground for reliance upon a faith, which would not deserve the name if it shrunk from meeting them, we have somewhat yet left to strengthen our hands. The motive which brought St. James's Hall into being was no mere desire to add one more to the many institutions around us for secular education. It looked to other and loftier objects. 'The boy was to be trained to be a man and something more; he was to be a Christian; and that he might be such, the Church which took him at the first into her arms, provided here her shady walks and deep recesses, that she might be with him still, in that season of awakening sensibilities which most needs her constant care and watchfulness. It was a conscientious and pious regard for the immortal welfare of her own children, which prompted her to action. She cannot, she dare not retrace her steps. Ignorance of her duty she cannot now plead. She must go forward or incur the awful responsibility of refusing to perform the solemn obligations she has openly recognised before God and man.

Impressed by these considerations, your committee have thought proper to lay before the Convention the following plan, which in their view, promises more effective relief than any they have been able to devise, and they cannot therefore refrain from expressing the hope that it may be unanimously and heartily adopted.—

*Resolved*, 1st, That ——— Sunday be fixed on by this Convention, upon which it shall be earnestly recommended to the Rector of every parish and Church in the Diocese, to read to his Congregation so much of the Bishop's address as relates to St. James's Hall, together with the report now submitted, and he also preach on that occasion on the subject of Christian Education.

*Resolved*, 2d, That immediately after Sermon, or upon the following Sunday, a collection be made in the Church, to be devoted to the object thus commended.

*Resolved*, 3d, That the Bishop be requested to fill the blank in the first of the foregoing resolutions.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention will go into the election of an Executive Committee of Missions at half past 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Leave of absence was granted to Rev. Mr. Hawley, and the Rev. Mr. Gillis.

The Tellers on the election of a member to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee, report, that the whole number of votes given was eighty six of which number,

|                     |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Rev. Mr. Billop had | - | - | - | - | - | 49 |
| “ Mr. Johns,        | - | - | - | - | - | 35 |
| Scattering,         | - | - | - | - | - | 1  |

The Rev. Mr. Billop having received a majority of the whole number, was declared elected by the Chair.

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund presented the following report, which was accepted.

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund respectfully report :

That immediately after the adjournment of the last Convention, the Board held a meeting in the City of Baltimore, and having resolved to constitute the Clergy of the Diocese Agents in their Parishes respectively to collect the instalments of the principal and interest due to the Fund, and also to obtain additional subscriptions thereto ; copies of the Resolutions passed at the Convention of 1842, with a Circular from the Board, were addressed to each Clergyman, informing him of his appointment and requesting his attention to the object of it. Answers have been received from a very few of the Clergy, one of whom declined acting as the Agent for the reasons stated in his letter ; and not more than seven of the Parishes have forwarded copies of their subscription lists. At the same meeting the Treasurer of the Board was requested to make investments of the money then in hand, and which might be received prior to further directions, in Bonds of the Baltimore and Washington Rail Road Company, in consequence whereof \$6,700 of said Bonds were purchased at the cost of \$5,371 which yield an interest equal to about 7 per cent on the money invested.



The statements of the Treasurer shew that \$6,002 92, of the Permanent Fund, and \$2,576 28 of the Temporary Fund have been received since the last Annual Report ; of which \$1,254 89, are interest on subscriptions. The whole amount of Permanent Fund is now \$17,946 37, of which \$7,754 45 are invested in \$6,948 55 of six per cent. and 2,000 of five per cent state stock, and \$7,784 in \$9,356 08 of Rail Road Bonds, leaving a balance uninvested after deducting some expenses of \$2,350 92. The charges on the Temporary Fund having considerably exceeded the receipts, the Treasurer is now in advance on account of that Fund \$1,364 28, being about \$400 more than the amount reported to the last Convention. For the reimbursement of this sum, the Convention must devise some means, as the duties of the Treasurer are sufficiently arduous and responsible without obliging him to supply the deficiencies of the Diocese.

Finding that so small a portion of the Permanent Fund and interest had been paid during the year, and that the resolutions of the last Convention had not elicited such returns as had been hoped for, the Board at a meeting held on the 14th of April last, instructed the Secretary to address a Circular to the Rector and Vestry of each Parish, urgently requesting that a sum equal to at least 50 cents for each Communicant should be paid to the Treasurer during this Convention. This call has been responded to by some of the Churches in the City of Baltimore and St. Ann's Annapolis, prior to the meeting of the Convention ; the Board has not yet the means of reporting the effect produced by the appeal generally, as the returns are expected to be made during the session, but trust it will be met in the same spirit evinced by the Churches before referred to, and be continued so to be met until sufficient progress be made in the collection of the Permanent Fund, to enable the Board to meet with more punctuality than heretofore the engagement of the Diocese to its Bishop. If the several Parishes would collect the interest of the subscriptions made therein, there would be no necessity for resorting to any other expedient ; but when out of \$2,400 of interest on uncollected subscriptions for the past year only \$1,254 89 have been paid, the Convention must see that it is essential to adopt some measure for the purpose of supplying the deficiency.

The Trustees respectfully appeal to the Convention to suggest and carry out some plan to give efficiency to the collection of the Fund. There can be no doubt, that if applications were properly made to individual subscribers the demands would be promptly complied with. This can only be effected by the adoption of a regular system by the several vestries throughout the Diocese, and without such the Fund must remain in a state of embarrass-

ment. If the Parishes one and all would consent to furnish for some certain period, the small amount of 50 cents for each Communicant, in connexion with a systematic effort in the collection of the Fund, all difficulties would vanish, and the Convention would be soon relieved from further anxiety in relation to this subject.

Detailed statements of the selection of the Fund prepared by the Treasurer accompany this report.

SAMUEL I. DONALDSON,  
*Secretary of Board of Trustees.*

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON, *June 2d*, 1843.

The Convention was called to order at 4 o'clock. After the calling of the roll, the minutes of the morning's proceedings were read and approved.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Fund, made the following report, which was accepted, and the accompanying resolutions adopted :

The committee appointed to examine the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer of the Diocesan Missionary Society, beg leave to report, that they have duly examined the same and find them correct.

They would further state, that in the examination of the account, they discover a vast difference in the contribution of the different Parishes, and that they believe that the largest amounts have come from those Parishes, which in deference to the Bishop's recommendation have taken stated regular collections in the Church, with the use of the Offertory. Being deeply impressed with the importance of the Missionary efforts in the extension of the kingdom of Christ, and of their necessity for the resuscitation of decayed Parishes, and the establishment of others where the Church and the Gospel are not known and heard, the Committee respectfully recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That this Convention most cordially approves of the Missionary effort now making by the Church :

*Resolved*, That it is recommended to the Rectors of the different Parishes, often to bring prominently before their congregations the duty of contributing to the support of Missions.

*Resolved*, That it is recommended to the Rectors and Vestries of the several Parishes and Churches to cause stated collections to be regularly made, with the use of the offertory, for the benefit of the Missions of the Church, both Diocesan and general.

*Resolved*, That it is respectfully recommended to the members of the Church conscientiously to lay by in store from week to week, what they can devote to this noble purpose.

JOHN R. KEECH, *Chairman*.

JOHN S. GITTINGS.

BENJ. MULLIKIN.\*

The Convention then went into the election of an Executive Committee of Missions. The Rev. C. F. Jones declined re-election, on account of his inconvenient distance from the ordinary place of meeting. The Rev. Mr. Butler and Mr. Thomas Berry were appointed Tellers. The Tellers reported the whole number of votes to be 50, and that the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, and Rev. Dr. Henshaw, of the clergy, S. I. Donaldson, J. Mason Campbell, Hugh D. Evans, Esqs., of the laity, were elected; but one vacancy remained, the next highest number of votes given for a clerical member being less than a majority.

Another ballot then took place to fill the vacancy in the committee, which resulted in the election of the Rev. George F. Worthington.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report to the Convention, what measures shall be adopted for the support of the Bishop for this year. The Chair appointed Hon. Ezekiel F. Chambers, William Carmichael, and A. C. Magruder, Esqs., who reported the following resolutions, which were adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund be authorised, when they deem it necessary, to employ agents, and allow them a commission not exceeding ten per cent. for all the moneys that they may collect, and not exceeding five per cent. for all the additional subscriptions which they may obtain.

\* For the Treasurer's Account, see Appendix.

*Resolved*, That until further order be taken on the subject, the Board of Trustees be requested to continue to ask from the several parishes, such sums as may be required to supply the deficiency arising from the non-payment of interest.

The following report from the Standing Committee, on the state of the Church, was read by Rev. Clement F. Jones, and accepted :

The Standing Committee having had under their consideration the Parochial Reports, respectfully present to the Convention the inferences derived from those reports, in relation to the state of the Diocese :

They are happy to observe, that these indicate an encouraging advancement in its general state ; a large increase in the number of Communicants, liberality towards ecclesiastical objects, particularly missions, and an extending observance of the Festivals, Fasts, and week day services of the Church. The Committee being unable to take a comprehensive view of these subjects, beg to refer to the Bishop's address as containing all necessary information, adding that they fully coincide with him in the opinion, that the general condition of the Diocese is prosperous, indicating the gracious presence of the Spirit of God, and proving efficiency on the part of the Clergy.

The committee appointed to wait on the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, and renew their request for a copy of his sermon, reported that they had performed that duty, and that he had consented to furnish a copy for publication.

The Secretary asked for instructions from the Convention, and was directed to have twelve hundred copies of the Journal printed ; and that such copies as may remain on hand, after supplying the several parishes, be sold at such price as he may consider reasonable, the proceeds to be paid into the Convention Fund.

*Resolved*, That the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions, be authorised to fill any vacancies which may occur in their body, previously to the meeting of the next Annual Convention.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Secretary for his valuable services.

*Resolved*, That the usual appropriation be made to the sexton of St. Paul's Church, for his attendance on this Convention.

The minutes of this afternoon's proceedings having been read and approved, it was then, on motion, *Resolved*, That after the usual closing devotion, the Convention adjourn' sine die.

The members then united in singing the last four verses of the 99th Psalm of the selection, and the session was closed with prayer, and the benediction, by the Bishop.

*Attest.*

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland,*  
*and President of the Convention of the Diocese.*

HERVEY COLBURN, Secretary.

# A P P E N D I X .

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### *Emmanuel Parish—Allegany county.*

|                                                                                                                    |            |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Baptisms—adult, white 1—infants, white 10, colored 1, -                                                            | 12         |
| Confirmed, white, - - - - -                                                                                        | 7          |
| Communicants—last reported but inaccurate 36, added by removal to the place 7, new communicants 6, total added 13, |            |
| Died, - - - - -                                                                                                    | 1          |
| Present number, - - - - -                                                                                          | 56         |
| Marriages—white, - - - - -                                                                                         | 5          |
| Funerals—white 6, colored 3, - - - - -                                                                             | 9          |
| Sunday School Teachers, - - - - -                                                                                  | 9          |
| Scholars, about - - - - -                                                                                          | 50         |
| <i>Offerings.</i> —General Missions of the Church, - - -                                                           | \$ 173 46½ |
| St. James's Hall, - - - - -                                                                                        | 29 54      |
| Diocesan Missions, - - - - -                                                                                       | 13 97      |
| For a feeble Parish in the Diocese, - - - - -                                                                      | 20 00      |
| Bishop's salary, - - - - -                                                                                         | 29 95      |
|                                                                                                                    | <hr/>      |
|                                                                                                                    | \$ 266 92½ |

SAMUEL BUEL, *Rector.*

*Cumberland, May 26th, 1843.*

### *Christ Church, Savage, Allegany county.*

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants, . . . . .   | 13 |
| Funerals, . . . . .           | 4  |
| Marriages, . . . . .          | 6  |
| Communicants added, . . . . . | 17 |

|                                                       |        |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Communicants—present number, . . . . .                | 20     |
| Sunday School Teachers, . . . . .                     | 6      |
| Scholars, about . . . . .                             | 50     |
| <i>Collections.</i> —For Domestic Missions, . . . . . | \$4 00 |
| For the Episcopate, . . . . .                         | 2 50   |

For the want of a suitable house, the Sunday School at Mount Savage was discontinued during the winter.—It was resumed a few Sundays ago, which accounts for the smallness of the school, compared with what it was, as last reported. I have no doubt in a short time it will reach its former number.

The above comprises the statistics of the Missionary Station in Allegany county, for the last year.

I feel gratified to state, that (although much as yet has not been accomplished,) the great Head of the Church has not suffered us to labor altogether in vain.

In some few instances, the word preached seems to have exerted a salutary influence, and to have proved a “savor of life unto life.” Believers seem to be “growing in grace,” and sinners appear more alive to their spiritual interests.

J. H. KEHLER, *Missionary in Allegany county, Md.*

*P. O., Cumberland:*

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*All Hallows Parish—Anne Arundel county.*

|                                                                 |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 6, colored 9, . . . . .                 | 15            |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 2, . . . . .                         | 3             |
| Burials—white, . . . . .                                        | 2             |
| Communicants—number according to last printed report, . . . . . | 25            |
| “ Died, . . . . .                                               | 2             |
| “ Present number, . . . . .                                     | 25            |
| <i>Contributions.</i> —General Missions, . . . . .              | \$5 00        |
| Diocesan Missions, . . . . .                                    | 3 00          |
| Assessment for support of the Bishop, . . . . .                 | 12 50         |
|                                                                 | <hr/> \$20 50 |

With permission, I have officiated in the parish since the fourth Sunday in Advent. On 23d January, I received notice of my due transfer to this Diocese, when I commenced my duties as rector.

The above report does not include the acts of the late rector during his connexion with the parish, since the last Convention.

W. F. BRAND.

*Post Office, Davidsonville, Anne Arundel county, Md.*

*Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish.*

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Communicants—last reported, | 30 |
| “ added,                    | 6  |
| “ removed                   | 5  |
| “ died,                     | 3  |
| “ present number,           | 28 |
| Confirmed,                  | 10 |
| Baptised,                   | 3  |
| Funerals,                   | 2  |
| Marriages,                  | 3  |

Services have been continued at Laurel Factory once in two weeks, in the afternoon.

The weekly collections up to the 1st of April last, amount to about \$65, \$25 of which has been paid over to the Treasurer of the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society of the Church, about \$23 to the Diocesan Treasurer, \$3 20, to the Bishop for the use of the Prayer Book, Homily, and Tract Society, and the balance, being communion alms, has been disposed of in accordance with the provision of the Church for such collections.

The rector deeply regrets the necessity to report that the present state of his parish is not so prosperous as he could wish. While he hopes the growth of grace, in the souls of his parishioners, has not slackened, certain it is, that the temporal prospects of the parish are less promising than formerly. Owing to the organization of another church within the bounds of the parish, several families and five communicants have withdrawn from the parish Church. Yet we are in the hands of the Lord, and if our depressed situation causes us to trust more fervently in Him, and labor more faithfully in His service, it may prove a blessing, rather than the downfall of this portion of the Church.

RICHARD HENRY WATERS, *Rector.*

*P. O., Savage, May 31st, 1843.*

*Grace Church—Ellicott's Mills.*

Since the erection of this parish, efforts have been made to build a Church edifice. Subscriptions and other resources have been obtained, sufficient to warrant the hope that during the present year, a commodious church edifice will be completed. The foundation is already laid, and the work is rapidly progressing.



The style of the building is that of the third period Gothic. The whole structure to be of brick, with buttresses, crowned with pinnacles. The walls to be painted and sanded stone color. The general dimensions of the church are, length, including vestibule and chancel, 81 feet 6 inches; breadth, including buttresses, 43 feet 4 inches; height of ceiling, in centre of nave, 22 feet.

The rector feels unable to report accurately, the number of communicants; the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, for the want of a church edifice, not yet having been administered.

|                                                      |   |
|------------------------------------------------------|---|
| Confirmations,                                       | 4 |
| Marriages,                                           | 3 |
| Baptisms—white adult 2—children, white 4, colored 1, | 7 |
| ALFRED HOLMEAD, <i>Rector</i> .                      |   |

*Severn Church—Anne Arundel county.*

|                                             |       |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|
| Baptisms—white 11, colored 7,               | 18    |
| Confirmed—white,                            | 26    |
| Communicants—last reported,                 | 13    |
| “ added,                                    | 23    |
| “ died,                                     | 1     |
| “ present number,                           | 35    |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 1,               | 3     |
| Funerals—white 3, colored 1,                | 4     |
| Collected for D. and F. Missionary Society, | \$ 12 |
| HENRY AISQUITH, <i>Rector</i> .             |       |

*Post Office, Millersville, A. A. county.*

*St. Anne's Parish—Anne Arundel county.*

|                                                                    |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Married—white 4, black 1,                                          | 5         |
| Baptised—white adult 1, infants 15,                                | 16        |
| “ black infants,                                                   | 4         |
| Buried—adults 12, infants 6,                                       | 18        |
| Communicants—removed,                                              | 1         |
| “ died,                                                            | 6         |
| “ added,                                                           | 14        |
| “ present number,                                                  | 108       |
| Confirmed,                                                         | 5         |
| Contributions for Education and Missions,                          | \$ 186 00 |
| Contributions—the poor, repairs of organ, for marble tomb, Church, |           |
| Bell, &c.                                                          | 414 58    |

Paid principal and interest on instalments for Bishop's Fund and extra Contributions, to meet the demands on Treasurer, - - \$311 55  
 Services of the Church have been performed during the year, twice on the Sunday, and every Wednesday Morning and Friday Evening.

|                                 |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Sunday school teachers, female, | - | - | - | - | - | 15 |
| " " male,                       | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| " scholars, female,             | - | - | - | - | - | 71 |
| " " male,                       | - | - | - | - | - | 25 |

GORDON WINSLOW,

*Post Office, Annapolis.*

*Rector of St. Anne's Church.*

*St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills.*

|                                                      |   |   |   |   |   |      |
|------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|------|
| Communicants—last reported,                          | - | - | - | - | - | 20   |
| added,                                               | - | - | - | - | - | 6—26 |
| Confirmed, including one from St. Paul's, Baltimore, | - | - | - | - | - | 16   |
| Baptisms,                                            | - | - | - | - | - | 8    |
| Funerals,                                            | - | - | - | - | - | 5    |

The weekly offerings, including a collection on Thanksgiving day when the Bishop officiated and administered the Sacraments of Baptism, and the Lord's Supper, have amounted during the past year to \$151 21 which have been appropriated as follows,

|                                                    |   |   |   |   |   |         |
|----------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| To the Diocesan Board,                             | - | - | - | - | - | \$57 54 |
| To the Domestic Committee of D. & F. Missionary S. | - | - | - | - | - | 35 64   |
| To Parochial purposes,                             | - | - | - | - | - | 37 20   |
| To St. James's Hall,                               | - | - | - | - | - | 20 83   |

\$151 21

HUGH T. HARRISON, *Rector.*

*St. John's Parsonage, Ellicott's Mills, May 31st, 1843.*

*St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

|                         |           |         |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Baptisms,               | . . . . . | 15      |
| Confirmations,          | . . . . . | 2       |
| Communicants,           | . . . . . | 12      |
| Marriages,              | . . . . . | 4       |
| Burials,                | . . . . . | 6       |
| Missionary Collections, |           | \$24 68 |

ORLANDO HUTTON, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Annapolis, Md.*

*Church of the Ascension, Baltimore.*

It is with emotions of thankfulness to God that the Rector of this Church reviews its history for the past year as one though not unaccompanied by difficulties yet also distinguished by spiritual blessings. It has materially improved since his last report by additions to the Congregation and to the Communion, and at the same time its strength is gradually becoming more consolidated and practically influential in the great purposes of the Church's institution.

The statistics of the Church are as follows :

|                                                           |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults 2, infants 30, . . . . .                  | 32 |
| Marriages, . . . . .                                      | 5  |
| Funerals, . . . . .                                       | 15 |
| Communicants, added 33, died 1, present number, . . . . . | 86 |
| Confirmed, . . . . .                                      | 19 |
| Sunday school, male department, teachers, . . . . .       | 9  |
| “ “ scholars, . . . . .                                   | 70 |
| “ female department, scholars, . . . . .                  | 80 |
| “ “ teachers, . . . . .                                   | 15 |

FRANCIS PECK, *Rector.*

*Christ Church—Baltimore.*

|                         |     |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms, . . . . .     | 45  |
| Marriages, . . . . .    | 13  |
| Burials, . . . . .      | 22  |
| Communicants, . . . . . | 350 |

Contributions to various objects, including the sinking fund for the Church debt, schools, and asylum, about \$ 3,400.

The Sunday Schools of the congregation continue to be conducted as heretofore, and are doing well, whilst the pews on the ground floor of the church, with the exception of a few near the doors of the vestibule, are all rented. The attendance upon the various services of the Church has been uniformly good, and the hope is confidently cherished, that the cause of vital godliness is advancing with a sound and healthy growth.

HENRY V. D. JOHNS, *Rector.*

May 30th, 1843.

*Christ Church Mission.*

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Baptisms, . . . . .  | 8 |
| Marriages, . . . . . | 2 |

|                                                      |     |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Funerals, . . . . .                                  | 12  |
| Sunday School Teachers—male 12, female 14, . . . . . | 26  |
| “ Scholars—male 106, female 98, . . . . .            | 204 |

The report is up to the 1st of March last, when the connexion of the undersigned with the mission ceased. Some services performed since, however, have been included. The services at the Maryland Hospital, at 9 o'clock on Sunday mornings, are still regularly conducted.

J. N. McJILTON.

*Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.*

|                                                              |     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 1—infants, white 8, . . . . .         | 9   |
| Confirmed—white, . . . . .                                   | 8   |
| Communicants—removed, . . . . .                              | 10  |
| “ suspended, . . . . .                                       | 1   |
| “ added, . . . . .                                           | 12  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                  | 35  |
| Funerals, . . . . .                                          | 1   |
| Sunday Schools—male teachers 8, female teachers 8, . . . . . | 16  |
| “ scholars, . . . . .                                        | 110 |

Collections for the missions of the Church, on Quinquagesima Sunday, \$17 00.

At the instigation of the rector of St. Paul's Church, this congregation was duly organized, by the election of a vestry and rector, in the month of February last. The enterprise was commenced under the auspices of the Rev. Dr. Wyatt and several zealous members of his parish, a little more than fourteen months ago. The vestry are now endeavoring to raise the means to secure an eligible lot, on which to erect a place of worship. The greatest obstacle to the success of their undertaking arises from the want of a suitable and decent provision for the performance of Divine worship. That there is ample room and urgent need for another church in this city, seems to be the general opinion. Still they have not been encouraged in their efforts by their more favored brethren in the Church, to the extent that the claims of their enterprise would seem to warrant them to expect. They will, however, continue to pray and labor in faith, and trust God to carry on His own work and bless their exertions, hoping that the hearts of the Lord's people will be opened to contribute liberally to the object.

JOHN W. HOFFMAN, *Rector.*

*Baltimore, May 31st, 1843.*

*St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.*

|                                           |     |
|-------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults 2, infants 46, . . . . .  | 48  |
| Married, . . . . .                        | 13  |
| Buried, . . . . .                         | 24  |
| Communicants—died, . . . . .              | 2   |
| “ removed, . . . . .                      | 3   |
| “ added, . . . . .                        | 17  |
| “ present number, . . . . .               | 114 |
| Sunday Schools, . . . . .                 | 2   |
| “ Teachers, male 11, female 10, . . . . . | 21  |
| “ Scholars, male 67, female 65, . . . . . | 132 |

H. S. KEPPLER, *Rector.**Baltimore, May 31st, 1843.**St. James's First African P. E. Church, Baltimore.*

|                                                     |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—infants 7, adults 1, . . . . .             | 8   |
| Funeral, . . . . .                                  | 1   |
| Confirmed, . . . . .                                | 9   |
| Communicants, added, . . . . .                      | 12  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                         | 36  |
| Sunday school teachers, male 5, female 9, . . . . . | 14  |
| “ scholars, male 67, female 92, . . . . .           | 159 |

The Congregation and Communion have both increased during the past year. The improved attendance upon public worship and the increasing interest exhibited in relation to the church services, give evidence of encouraging success.

J. N. McJILTON, *Rector.**St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.*

|                         |     |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms, . . . . .     | 57  |
| Marriages, . . . . .    | 17  |
| Interments, . . . . .   | 15  |
| Communicants, . . . . . | 370 |

The Congregation named in the last parochial report as sustained by this parish in the north western section of the city, have, during the year, elected a vestry, and renewed the appointment of the Rector, and being duly organized, have thus far become an independent Congregation, under the style of Mount Calvary Church.

W. E. WYATT, *Rector.*T. J. WYATT, *Assistant Minister.**June 1st, 1843.*

*St. Peter's Church—Baltimore.*

|                                 |     |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults 4, children 49, | 53  |
| Confirmations,                  | 24  |
| Marriages,                      | 17  |
| Funerals,                       | 26  |
| * Communicants,                 | 474 |

Amount of Sunday offerings and other benevolent contributions about \$2000.

As the ministry of the undersigned in St. Peter's is about being brought to a close ;—while with devout gratitude to Almighty God acknowledging the goodness and grace which have followed him during his protracted ministry in this city, he desires to leave on record a brief statement of its results, so far as they may be ascertained by reference to the parish register.

The first time I administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in St. Peter's, there were 45 communicants, and there have since been added to the communion 900. During the same period, there have been received into the ark of Christ's Church, by Holy Baptism, 1,018. The number who have renewed their baptismal vows in the rite of confirmation, is 506. I have united in holy matrimony, 392 couples ; and have performed the rites of Christian burial for 614.

The rector hopes that the blessing which has attended his own labors, may yet more abundantly rest upon those of his successor.

J. P. K. HENSHAW, *Rector.*

June 6th, 1843.

*Sherwood Church—Baltimore county.*

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| Baptisms,     | 15 |
| Communicants, | 23 |
| Marriages,    | 5  |
| Funerals,     | 4  |

GEORGE F. WORTHINGTON, *Rector.*

Post Office, Cockeysville.

*St. James' Parish, Baltimore county.*

The undersigned accepted the rectorship of St. James' Parish early in the month of July, 1842, and entered upon the discharge of his duties on the 1st

\* Although there has been an addition of 36 to the communion during the past year, the unusual number of deaths and removals, and the transfer of several to the Church of the Ascension, and other churches in the city, have reduced the actual number of communicants below that reported in 1842 ; but, as the rector hopes, without any proportionate deduction from the spiritual prosperity of the congregation.

of August of the same year. In this Parish are two church edifices, about eight miles apart, in which the Rector has officiated regularly up to the present time, with the exception of two Sundays, on one of which he was prevented by sickness, and on the other the church edifice was under process of repairs. The repairs of the Parish Church add very much to its appearance and the accommodation of the worshippers. His congregations in the Parish church are large and attentive; but in Trinity Chapel they are small, composed principally of the communicants and their families. There have been nine persons added to the list of communicants, viz: three in the Parish Church and six in Trinity Chapel.

The Rector on taking charge of this Parish, found a debt hanging over the Parsonage property of \$868, which he has been successful in reducing, hard as the times are, to less than \$100, and hopes to be able to collect this balance in the course of the ensuing summer, and thus free this property from debt, and secure titles to the same.

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|-----------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants,     | 14 |
| Marriages,            | 4  |
| Interments,           | 5  |
| Communicants—removed, | 1  |
| “ died,               | 1  |
| “ added,              | 9  |
| “ present number,     | 54 |

P. S. Four communicants removed from St. James' Parish from 1st March, 1842, to 1st August of the same year, during the time the church was destitute of a Rector.

MATTHIAS L. FORBES, *Rector.*

May 31st, 1843.

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*St. Thomas' Church, Baltimore county.*

The congregation of this Parish, heretofore but a little flock, has been much reduced the last year by the death or removal of five of its prominent and most devoted families. The Rector therefore with sadness reports that the communicants are reduced in number to

|            |    |
|------------|----|
|            | 12 |
| Baptisms,  | 2  |
| Marriages, | 2  |

He is sustained in his labors by the hope that the recent vacancies in the Parish will shortly be filled up, and encouraged by the devout attention at

church of the young men, of whom the recent vestry is mostly composed, and who are anxious to do every thing on their part to uphold the Church among them.

CHARLES C. AUSTIN, *Rector.*

May, 1843.

*St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.*

|                                                                              |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Marriages—(1 couple in St. James' Parish,) 2 white couple, 2 colored couple, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5  |
| Baptisms—adults 7, children 12,                                              | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 19 |
| Communicants—removed,                                                        | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2  |
| “ added,                                                                     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| “ present number,                                                            | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 80 |
| Funerals,                                                                    | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 8  |

Besides the two Parish Churches there are several other places for the stated worship of God, all of which are well attended and promise to result in much good. Many tracts and prayer books have been distributed and there is a constant and increasing demand for both. May the Lord bless the public labors of his servant and give an abundant harvest to the honor and praise of his Holy name.

J. R. KEECH, *Rector.*

May 29th, 1843.

*All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.*

|                                |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms—white 9, coloured 10, | . | . | . | . | . | . | 19 |
| Funerals— “ 5, “ 2,            | . | . | . | . | . | . | 7  |
| Marriages— “ 0, “ 4,           | . | . | . | . | . | . | 4  |
| Confirmed,                     | . | . | . | . | . | . | 17 |
| Communicants—last reported,    | . | . | . | . | . | . | 41 |
| “ died,                        | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1  |
| “ added,                       | . | . | . | . | . | . | 10 |
| “ present number,              | . | . | . | . | . | . | 50 |

H. WILLIAMS, *Rector.*

Huntington, May, 1843.

*Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, to 1st December, 1842.*

|                                                 |   |   |   |    |
|-------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms—adults 2, infants white 5, coloured 4, | . | . | . | 11 |
|-------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|----|



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|-------------------------------------------|----|
| Confirmed—white 27, coloured 1, . . . . . | 28 |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .     | 70 |
| “ added, . . . . .                        | 10 |
| “ died, . . . . .                         | 1  |
| “ withdrawn, . . . . .                    | 1  |
| Marriages—white, . . . . .                | 4  |
| Funerals— “ 6, coloured 8, . . . . .      | 14 |

This Parish was vacated the last of November, 1842, and is now about receiving the services of one who I believe will prove a true herald of his Master.

JAMES A. BUCK, *late Rector.*

*St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county.*

It is with the liveliest gratitude to the Father of Mercies that I report that our Church edifice after much delay and perplexity has been erected and considerable done towards its completion. The pews are all up and we have occupied it since Christmas Day. And we have the encouraging prospect of having it finished this summer for consecration.

It has pleased the Great Disposer of human events, during the past month to remove from our Parish one of its most active, esteemed, and valuable members. Long indeed will this very severe affliction be most deeply felt by our infant Parish, and by his bereaved family. I pray that this and all His dispensations to his Church may be mercifully over-ruled for good.

|                                                           |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 7, coloured 18, . . . . .                  | 25 |
| Marriages, . . . . .                                      | 3  |
| Communicants, . . . . .                                   | 15 |
| Confirmed by the Bishop in his fall visitation, . . . . . | 3  |

ROBERT PROUT, *Rector.*

*Prince Frederick, Calvert county, May 29.*

*St. Mary's and Trinity Churches, Cecil county.*

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants 11, adults 4, . . . . . | 15 |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .    | 26 |
| “ added, . . . . .                       | 12 |
| “ died, . . . . .                        | 1  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                     | 5  |
| “ present number, . . . . .              | 32 |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 2, . . . . .  | 4  |
| Funerals—white, . . . . .                | 2  |

To the celebration of the Festivals and Fasts of the Church, has been added that of one of the week day litany services, without intermission, except on occasions of aid to a brother parish priest, in conducting the Ember services.

The altar alms at the weekly offertory has enabled us to contribute to the aid of a neighboring parish in the Diocese, to defray the minor, incidental expenses of the Church, and to send a mite to its general charities. The chancel of each Church have been enlarged, and so arranged, that the monthly celebration of the holy Eucharist can be now conducted with convenience and due solemnity.

The Sunday School, under the supervision of the rector, is instructed in the catechism by members in communion with the Church, and the public catechising, "frequently," after evening service, supplies the place of the usual sermon. On all occasions of public worship, of preaching, and of celebrating the sacraments and rites of the Church, the surplice, exclusively, is worn, with the approbation of the Bishop, and from motives of principle, economy, and expediency.

Most of the Anthems of Morning and Evening Prayer are chaunted by the worshippers, to the greater solemnity and appropriateness of the service—though this is somewhat diminished by the useless state, at present, of our little organ—the inadequate support of the rector and his family demanding primary attention from the parishioners. A more regular and devout participation of the services has tended, in every such instance, to an increase of holiness; to a more enlightened attachment to the *true* Catholic faith; and to an evident "growth in grace," wherever there has been a diligent and faithful use of the Divinely appointed "means."

Charity to fellow members abroad, about \$ 100.

R. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, *Rector*.

June 1st, 1843.

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*St. Stephen's, Cecil county.*

Though but few have been induced to shew their faith and love by partaking of the body and blood of their Lord and Saviour, yet the services of the sanctuary are well attended, the responses are generally made and the conduct of the worshippers is serious and devout.

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults 5, children 19, | 24 |
| Marriages,                      | 4  |
| Communicants—last reported,     | 34 |
| “ dead,                         | 1  |

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| Communicants—removed,      | 2 |
| “ withdrawn,               | 1 |
| “ not before reported,     | 3 |
| “ added,                   | 3 |
| JNO. WILEY, <i>Rector.</i> |   |

*Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.*

|                                                                         |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms,                                                               | 80  |
| Sunday School and catechetical instruction continued from year to year. |     |
| Communicants—some changes, but still,                                   | 210 |
| Marriages,                                                              | 8   |
| Funerals,                                                               | 12  |
| LEMUEL WILMER,<br><i>Rector of Port Tobacco Parish.</i>                 |     |

*Trinity Parish, Charles county.*

The rector of Trinity parish respectfully reports to the Right Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese :—

|                                                          |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms,                                                | 77      |
| Confirmed,                                               | 15      |
| Communicants,                                            | 103     |
| Marriages,                                               | 7       |
| Burials,                                                 | 37      |
| Missionary offerings,                                    | \$50 00 |
| Offerings to the Prayer Book, Homily, and Tract Society, | 4 03½   |
| Collection in aid of the Bishop's salary,                | 7 77½   |
| And subscription to the Permanent Episcopal Fund,        | 467 00  |
| Of which only \$112 00 is yet unpaid.                    |         |

Also, the rector has to report that since the Bishop's visitation, the catechising of the colored people has been commenced.—This is done on every Sunday, on which the holy communion is not administered. May God's blessing be upon the efforts made for the temporal and eternal benefit of this too long neglected class ! Large numbers always attend, and seem much interested. And some have already made good progress in committing the catechism to memory.

From the accessions to the communion, the continued call for Prayer Books, and the avidity with which Tracts, *doctrinal* and *practical*, are sought

after, and read, the humble hope is indulged, that we are not without some little improvement, by the grace of God, in true religion. But of this it is forborne to speak further—God only knoweth, without fail, the hearts of men.

During the past year, upwards of sixty prayer books have been distributed, and as many more could be easily disposed of. May it soon become *utterly disreputable* for any individual of the parish, to be present at the services of the sanctuary, *without a Book and an audible voice*, to tell *what* such individual has come for.

The parish Church has been opened for Divine service, in the last six months, on several of the holy days, and though situated some distance from any village, the encouragement is sufficient to have it opened hereafter, God willing, on *all* such occasions.

Moreover, the rector is gratified to add, that a surplice has been provided for the parish Church, and he hopes soon to have one provided for the Chapel.

JAMES ABERCROMBIE.

*Newport, May 30th, 1843.*

*William and Mary Parish, Charles county.*

|                                             |         |
|---------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—white 9, colored 13, . . . . .     | 22      |
| Burials—white 5, colored 3, . . . . .       | 8       |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 3, . . . . .     | 4       |
| Confirmed—white 18, colored 4, . . . . .    | 22      |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .       | 41      |
| “ added, . . . . .                          | 8       |
| “ removed, . . . . .                        | 3—46    |
| Contributions—Missionary Society, . . . . . | \$90 00 |
| Bible and Prayer Book Society, . . . . .    | 5 00    |
| Tract Society, . . . . .                    | 5 00    |
|                                             | <hr/>   |
|                                             | \$40 00 |

The rector feels much encouraged in his ministrations, by an increased attention and interest manifested among the parishioners to their spiritual welfare, and by the numbers who were confirmed at the last visitation of the Bishop.

Since the last Convention, a monthly service has been held, for the special benefit of the colored people, which is usually well attended, and promises to be greatly serviceable to that class of the parishioners.

Rev. SAMUEL C. DAVIS, *Rector.*

*Milton Hill, Charles county, May 29th, 1843.*

*Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

|                                                |     |
|------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 2, colored 1, . . . . . | 3   |
| “ infants, white 21, colored 3, . . . . .      | 24  |
| Confirmed—white 37, colored 6, . . . . .       | 43  |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .          | 170 |
| “ added, . . . . .                             | 34  |
| “ deduct for mistake, . . . . .                | 2   |
| “ died, . . . . .                              | 3   |
| “ present number, . . . . .                    | 199 |
| Marriages—white, . . . . .                     | 5   |
| Funerals—white 9, colored 1, . . . . .         | 10  |

This report is gathered from the Parish Record and comprises all the entries made since the date of last Convention. The present Rector entered upon the charge of the Parish on Easter last. But brief as has been his connexion with it, he has had already abundant reason to “to thank God and take courage.” It will be seen by the confirmations, all of which have taken place within the last six weeks, that the Lord has been with us, graciously permitting us, where our *predecessor* “sowed in tears,” to “reap in joy,” and to gather some sheaves, the offspring of that “precious seed” which *he* so faithfully, though in the midst of much bodily weakness, scattered abroad. May the gracious Master continue to own and bless his word, and yet more abundantly, pour us out a blessing till there be not room enough to receive it, and to His name be all the Glory.

I am unable to report the amount of collections for the different institutions connected with the Church—monthly offerings for missions are collected, and an association composed of the male scholars and teachers of the Sunday Schools, contributes a considerable sum annually to Missionary objects.

S. G. GASSAWAY, *Rector*.

*Georgetown, D. C. 29th May, 1843.*

*St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

|                                          |     |
|------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults 7, infants 13, . . . . . | 20  |
| Confirmations, . . . . .                 | 489 |
| Marriages, . . . . .                     | 9   |
| Funerals, . . . . .                      | 7   |
| Communicants—added, . . . . .            | 66  |
| “ died, . . . . .                        | 3   |
| “ removed, . . . . .                     | 13  |
| “ present number, . . . . .              | 107 |

A Parish School for the instruction of the children of the Congregation under the supervision of the Rector of the Church will be opened on the 1st of June.

A free School also, to be sustained by the ladies of the Congregation, for the children of the Sunday School and neighborhood will be commenced at the same time.

The present church edifice not being large enough to accommodate the Congregation and to furnish pews to applicants, the Vestry have determined to enlarge it by the addition of 23 feet to its length. Subscriptions for this object have been obtained and the work will be commenced in June.

The contributions of the Church during the past year have been for various objects \$185 18.

CLEMENT M. BUTLER, *Rector.*

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*Rock Creek Parish, D. C.*

|                               |           |    |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Baptisms—infants 10,          | . . . . . | 10 |
| Communicants—last reported,   | . . . . . | 64 |
| “ added,                      | . . . . . | 2  |
| “ died,                       | . . . . . | 2  |
| “ removed,                    | . . . . . | 2  |
| “ displaced,                  | . . . . . | 1  |
| “ erased,                     | . . . . . | 7  |
| “ present number,             | . . . . . | 52 |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 1, | . . . . . | 8  |
| Funerals,                     | . . . . . | 6  |

W. A. HARRIS, *Rector.*

*P. O. Washington City.*

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*Christ Church, Washington Parish, Washington City.*

It is with unfeigned gratitude to the Great Head of the Church, that the rector of this parish is permitted to report more favorably of its condition, both temporal and spiritual, than at any former period of his connexion with it. At the last meeting of the Convention, the annual revenue of the Church had been considerably diminished, owing, in some measure, it is believed, to the irregular services consequent upon the impaired health of the rector; and the Church, the oldest in Washington, was in a somewhat decayed and dilapidated condition. But shortly after the adjournment of the Convention, measures were taken by the vestry for putting the Church in good repair, and in autumn the work was completed. Decayed timbers were removed,



Funerals, - - - - - 6

Contributions to various objects \$170.

A review of the past year calls for gratitude. This Church, at the time of the last report, a year since, was sustained as a Mission Church, by the other congregations in the city. But soon after, (and thus in a few months after the first commencement of its services,) the number of its families became so large, it was able to sustain itself. It was then duly organized by the election of vestrymen and wardens. As we needed ground on which to build, a lady munificently gave us two large lots, at but short distance from the hall in which our services are held. As this site, however, was not on the avenue, which is the great thoroughfare, and also was nearer to St. John's Church than either congregation would desire, through time to come, the vestry through the year have been making successive endeavors (but unsuccessfully,) to procure a site more convenient. The subscription, and the number of persons permanently attending, being sufficiently large to justify an immediate commencement of the building, and inconvenience and hindrance being found in the hired hall where we worship, arrangements are in progress for beginning immediately the erection of the Church.

The rapid advancement of this congregation, is due, under God, to themselves. They brought to the work of their Saviour, a zeal which would yield to no obstacles, and a love which would leave nothing undone for Him who had done all things for them. Hence it was that when their minister came to dwell among them, he found a home procured, furnished, and prepared for him by them; that their love was anticipating all his wants; that they attended so earnestly on all services, and co-operated in all measures; that while doing so much for themselves, they yet responded liberally to every appeal for missions and other objects from abroad. They began from the first to unite contributions to their own objects with contributions to those, and thus learned to exercise a more disinterested love. With them, as with all who do thus, the truth of Scripture has been fulfilled. Thus watering, they have been watered themselves.

But beyond all outward success, is ever that which is spiritual. The Divine blessing on the labors of the year, and on the services of Lent, was seen in the large number which in this Church, as in others, came in the deepest feeling to the Bishop to be confirmed. May grace ever be thus given abundantly to them, and ever thus work effectively through them.

JOHN W. FRENCH, *Rector.*

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*St. John's Church, Washington City.*

The Rector reports, that in consequence of the organization of the Church of the Epiphany, intermediate between St. John's Church and Trinity, some



of the communicants of St. John's have joined themselves to the new Congregation, while a goodly number has been added, say 17, which leaves him to report, of

|               |           |     |
|---------------|-----------|-----|
| Communicants, | . . . . . | 107 |
| Marriages,    | . . . . . | 14  |
| Baptisms,     | . . . . . | 32  |
| Funerals,     | . . . . . | 14  |

WM. HAWLEY.

Washington, May 31st, 1843.

*Trinity Parish, Washington City.*

|                                            |           |    |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Baptisms—adults 13, infants 36, colored 2, | . . . . . | 51 |
| Marriages,                                 | . . . . . | 8  |
| Funerals,                                  | . . . . . | 17 |
| Communicants—removed,                      | . . . . . | 15 |
| “ died,                                    | . . . . . | 4  |
| “ added,                                   | . . . . . | 86 |

(Of these 10 were from other parishes.)

|                                                 |           |     |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Confirmations,                                  | . . . . . | 68  |
| Stricken from the roll according to 19th canon, | . . . . . | 2   |
| Present number, about                           | . . . . . | 250 |
| Sunday School Teachers—male 13, female 25,      | . . . . . | 38  |
| Number of children, about                       | . . . . . | 250 |

|                                                                   |         |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Contributions in behalf of Missions and other benevolent objects, | \$1,000 |
| To Convention Fund and Bishop's salary,                           | 106     |

While much remains to be done, the rector feels truly grateful for the present encouraging state of his parish.

HORACE STRINGFELLOW, *Rector.*

May 31st, 1843.

*Dorchester Parish, Dorchester County.*

During the past year the Rector has been led to hope that the labours bestowed on this depressed Parish have not been altogether in vain.

|                             |           |    |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----|
| Communicants—last reported, | - - - - - | 14 |
| “ added since,              | - - - - - | 5  |
| “ present number,           | - - - - - | 19 |
| Confirmed,                  | - - - - - | 7  |
| Baptisms,                   | - - - - - | 4  |

|                                      |           |         |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Contributions for support of Bishop, | - - - - - | \$9 50  |
| Repairing Church, &c. about          | - - - - - | \$80 00 |

MATTHIAS HARRIS.

*Church Creek, Dorchester county, Md., 29th May, 1843.*

*East Newmarket Parish, Dorchester county.*

The Rector of East Newmarket Parish, has to report to the Convention, that during the past year he has buried 2 of his Parishioners. Of the 2 Communicants last reported one has deceased and the other removed.

ENOCH BAYLEY,

*Rector of E. N. M. Parish.*

*Cambridge, Dorchester county, May 31st, 1843.*

*Christ Church, Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge.*

The services on Sundays and Holy Days and on Wednesday evenings, which have been customary in this Parish, were sustained by the Rector, until sickness compelled him to desist, for a time, from official labor. During this season of affliction, the people of his charge would have been destitute of the ordinances of the Gospel, but for the kindness of the Rev. Mr. Bayley, who devoted to them all the time that could be spared from his own Parish.

The only change which has been made in the regular religious exercises, consists in the addition of the *Holy Communion* to the other services of Ascension Day.

|            |           |    |
|------------|-----------|----|
| Baptisms,  | . . . . . | 19 |
| Funerals,  | . . . . . | 8  |
| Confirmed, | . . . . . | 9  |

After the necessary deductions for death, removal, &c, there are 43 recorded communicants. Of these 5 are new communicants, and 1 has been received from St. Michael's Parish.

|                                      |           |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Contributions to Misionary objects,  | - - - - - | \$112 88½ |
| “ “ Prayer Book Society of Maryland, | - - - - - | 14 16½    |

In addition to the above, the Parishioners have furnished the means for some necessary repairs and improvements of the Church edifice, and for the partial support of an Assistant Minister.

Notwithstanding the present pecuniary difficulties, the contributions to some of our best Church objects have been more liberal than in any former year, and that too, without the application of the *fashionable stimulants* of the day.

It is believed by those who may be presumed to know best, that the Parish was never in a more prosperous state.

J. A. M'KENNEY, *Rector*.

*May, 1843.*

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*All Saints' Parish, Frederick.*

|                                                                        |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 2,                                              | 2   |
| “ infants white 14, colored 5,                                         | 19  |
| Confirmed—white 45, colored 2,                                         | 47  |
| Communicants—last reported,                                            | 128 |
| “ added,                                                               | 20  |
| “ restored,                                                            | 1   |
| “ other accessions,                                                    | 7   |
| “ died,                                                                | 2   |
| “ removed,                                                             | 8   |
| “ present number, including 20 colored persons,                        | 146 |
| Marriages—white 3, colored 1,                                          | 4   |
| Funerals—white 16, colored 10,                                         | 26  |
| Sunday Schools, 3 in number, one of them for colored children, in all, |     |
| Teachers about,                                                        | 30  |
| Scholars “                                                             | 140 |

Contributions for Missionary purposes, about \$450.

The Rector records with gratitude to God a gradual improvement in the condition of this Parish, especially since he has been assisted in his labors by the Rev. Joshua Morsell. This gentleman's services were procured in November last, and he has since been profitably engaged in conducting a Sunday School and preaching the Gospel in a commodious School Room at the upper end of Town. This duty occupies the afternoon of every Sunday, at other times he officiates in the adjacent country, wherever a suitable opening can be found. There is every reason to believe that his labors have not been in vain.

J. PETERKIN, *Rector*.

*May, 1843.*

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*St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county.*

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Baptisms—infants white, | 9 |
| “ “ colored,            | 6 |
| Confirmed—white,        | 6 |

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|--------------------------------------------------|----|
| Communicants—white, . . . . .                    | 74 |
| “ colored, . . . . .                             | 5  |
| Of the above number 12 were added the last year. |    |
| Marriages—white, . . . . .                       | 6  |
| “ colored, . . . . .                             | 1  |
| Funerals, . . . . .                              | 7  |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .            | 9  |
| “ added, . . . . .                               | 2  |

The new Church of this Parish is now completed and used by the Congregation.

O. BULKLEY, *Rector*.

May 29th, 1843.

*Zion Parish, Frederick county.*

|                                                 |    |
|-------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 2, colored 3 . . . . .           | 5  |
| Funerals, . . . . .                             | 4  |
| Communicants—died, . . . . .                    | 2  |
| “ added, . . . . .                              | 4  |
| “ present number—white 27, colored 3, . . . . . | 30 |

Collections for Missionary purposes, \$18 50.

In February last, the weather being exceedingly cold and the ground covered with ice, I was so unfortunate as to break my right arm by a fall from my horse, which prevented me from attending to my duties for a considerable time, and the use of which is not yet entirely restored. This Parish however has not suffered in consequence of my disaster, as the Rev. R. H. Phillips who, since my last report, has established a Seminary for young Ladies in the neighbourhood, has kindly supplied my lack of service; and has been elected assistant Rector; so that the people now have the privilege of attending Divine Worship every Sunday.

It gives me pleasure to add that the seminary refered to, under the charge of Mr. Phillips, is in a state of high prosperity, and that its beneficial effects are already felt throughout the neighborhood. It is favorably located in a healthy region, seven miles from Fredericktown, and within a few yards from the Church. As a Boarding School where a finished education on Gospel principles may be obtained, it offers advantages surpassed by few.

The Rev. Mr. Phillip's address is Urbana, Frederick county, Md.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector*.

Fredericktown, May, 1843.

*St. John's and St. George's Parishes, Harford county, Md.*

A very decided improvement is manifest in the first of the above named parishes.

The increase of the congregation, the regularity of their attendance at Church, the interest displayed in its sacred services, and above all, the accessions to its list of members, are proofs that the labors of the rector have not been unaccompanied by the Divine blessing.

He reports as follows :—

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Marriages, . . . . .          | 1  |
| Baptisms, . . . . .           | 3  |
| Funerals, . . . . .           | 2  |
| Communicants—added, . . . . . | 8  |
| “ present number, . . . . .   | 36 |

Of St. George's parish nothing favorable can be reported but the sincere piety of 11 communicants.

THOMAS BILLOPP.

*Havre-de-Grace.*

*Chester Parish, Kent county.*

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms, . . . . .             | 6  |
| Communicants—removed, . . . . . | 3  |
| “ died, . . . . .               | 3  |
| “ present number, . . . . .     | 60 |
| Marriages, . . . . .            | 4  |
| Funerals, . . . . .             | 12 |

Of which two were in St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.

CLEMENT F. JONES, *Rector.*

*Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.*

|                                                            |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults, colored 2—infants, white 8, colored 12, . | 22 |
| Communicants—added, . . . . .                              | 5  |
| “ died, . . . . .                                          | 2  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                       | 3  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                | 33 |
| Marriages—colored, . . . . .                               | 4  |
| Funerals—white, . . . . .                                  | 5  |

As soon as the rector of this parish was able, after protracted sickness, to engage in the duties of his present charge—in December last, the system of

**\$42 were recently collected to meet Diocesan demands. A debt of \$800 rests upon the parish and a few individuals, who share in the responsibility, for repairing and completing the Chapel near Massey's Cross Roads, which for many years remained unfinished ; but the parishioners, including about fifty families, most of whom are considerable land proprietors, are well able, by a united effort of their will and deed, to cancel it in due time.**

The two places of worship are 11 or 12 miles apart. The morning and evening services are alternated in them every Sunday; the chants are invariably used; the attendance at both places is gradually increasing, and the distinctive principles of the Catholic Church are at this time exciting, throughout the parish, encouraging attention and inquiry. To CHRIST and His Church should surely be given the most serious and undivided attention which the human soul is capable of feeling and exhibiting.

**JOHN OWEN, *Rector.***

**Post Office, Georgetown & Roads, &c. May, 1843.**

***St. Paul's Parish, Kent county, Md.***

**The subscriber having just entered upon the discharge of his clerical duties last month, would simply report himself as Rector of said Parish.**

**THOMAS B. FLOWER.**

*Chester town, May 29th, 1848.*

***St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county.***

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*Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county.*

|               |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms,     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6  |
| Marriages,    | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2  |
| Funerals,     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| Communicants, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 74 |

There has been no visible improvement in the spiritual or even temporal concerns of these Parishes since the last Convention.

L. I. GILLISS, *Rector.*

*Rockville, May 25th, 1843.*

*St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county.*

|                                |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms—white 16, colored 14, | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 30 |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 2,  | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 6  |
| Funerals— “ 7, colored 2,      | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 9  |
| Communicants—died,             | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1  |
| “ added,                       | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 7  |
| “ present number,              | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 60 |

For domestic Missions, \$13.

Nothing of interest has taken place since last report.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector.*

*Fredericktown, May, 1843.*

*Queen Ann Parish, Prince George's county.*

To a faithful Pastor of the Redeemer's flock, it is a source of the purest pleasure, when he is able to report to the Convention, assembled on ecclesiastical business, that since his last annual communication, some seals have been added to his ministry, as the *precious crowns* of his rejoicing in the day of the Lord : though the Rector cannot report many such additions, during the past year, yet, he is thankful for the few, that have come forward and given themselves to their Saviour, according to the wise appointments of our Apostolic Church. One immortal soul brought out of moral darkness, into the marvellous light of the Gospel of CHRIST and thus made the happy partaker of the riches and privileges of divine grace, is a full reward for the longest life devoted to the preaching of the word ; and the happiness of that soul, dignified and redeemed, with the promise of eternal felicity, is more to be valued than the acquisitions of this world with all its *honours, titles and elevations*, for the soul's immortal blessings will survive the glories and pleasures of earth, yes, *when time shall be no longer*. There is an emphasis, and

solemnity in the question, dropping from the lips of the Son of God himself, which few indeed feel, and which must be felt in order to appreciate its full meaning and importance; “*What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul, or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?*” In proportion to our realizing the truth and force of this *mighty passage* of the Scriptures, will be the *earnestness*, the *zeal* and the *fidelity* of the preacher in preaching the awful and solemn truths of God’s word to his auditors. Truly thankful is the writer, to *Him* who has called him to this ministry, that his labors to any degree have been blessed, and from the attention and seriousness which appear to pervade his congregations, he looks forward with pleasing and encouraging hope, when many who are now, *almost persuaded to be Christians*, will be brought into the fellowship and communion of CHRIST’S Holy Catholic Church.

|                               |           |     |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Communicants—added,           | . . . . . | 7   |
| “ removed,                    | . . . . . | 1   |
| “ present number,             | . . . . . | 98  |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 3, | . . . . . | 7   |
| Funerals— “ 9, “ 13,          | . . . . . | 22  |
| Baptisms— “ 37, “ 64,         | . . . . . | 101 |
| Families about,               | . . . . . | 130 |

Library for children, 60 volumes.

|                                |           |         |
|--------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Quinquagesima collection,      | . . . . . | \$30 00 |
| Sunday offerings for Missions, | . . . . . | 72 50   |
| For St. James’ Hall,           | . . . . . | 20 00   |
| Instalments on Bishop’s Fund,  | . . . . . | 198 00  |
| Communicant collection,        | . . . . . | 12 50   |

GEORGE L. MACKENHEIMER, *Rector*.

*Good Luck P. O.*

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*St. John’s Parish, Prince George’s county.*

|                                         |           |          |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 23, colored 13, | . . . . . | 36       |
| Confirmed—white 14, colored 1,          | . . . . . | 15       |
| Communicants—last reported,             | . . . . . | 76       |
| “ added,                                | . . . . . | 12       |
| “ died,                                 | . . . . . | 6        |
| “ removed,                              | . . . . . | 4        |
| “ present number,                       | . . . . . | 78       |
| Marriages—white 5, colored 4,           | . . . . . | 9        |
| Funerals—white 15, colored 1,           | . . . . . | 16       |
| Contributions for Missions              |           | \$19 00. |



In addition to the Sunday services, the Rector has officiated at the County Alms-House, by request of the Trustees, on the first Sunday of each month; when respectable congregations from the surrounding neighborhood assemble for worship. From April until October, semi-monthly services have been held for a very destitute community, occupying a section of country called "Cabont's Manor." The prospect now is, that a plain church will be built during the coming summer, for the permanent and more regular ministrations of the Church. The need of a house of worship is at once seen in the fact, that many of the inhabitants, previous to the services of the rector, had not listened to a sermon for one, two, and perhaps more years. Catechetical instructions are also given to many of the children, who attend at the school-house where the services are held. More zealous efforts are now making to secure a church, probably from the circumstance that the local Trustees, two of whom are Romanists, have prohibited the rector's officiating in the school-house, for the avowed reason that they did not wish their children to be present at his services. It is humbly hoped that the praiseworthy exertions of this poor, very ignorant and destitute community, will result in procuring them a place of worship, where they may enjoy the ordinances of the Church in which they have been baptised, and to whose Scriptural and sacred services they appear to be warmly attached.

EDWIN M. VAN DEUSEN, *Rector.*

*P. O. Alexandria, D. C., May 27th, 1843.*

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*St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                                                           |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 1—infants, white 20, colored 18, . | 38  |
| Confirmed—white 19, colored 2, . . . . .                  | 21  |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .                     | 130 |
| “ added, . . . . .                                        | 24  |
| “ died, . . . . .                                         | 4   |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                      | 2   |
| “ withdrawn, (colored,) . . . . .                         | 1   |
| “ present number, . . . . .                               | 147 |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 1, . . . . .                   | 2   |
| Funerals—white 11, colored 4, . . . . .                   | 15  |

The rector has the satisfaction to report the repairs of both parish Church and Chapel, the interiors of which had been for some years in a very decayed condition.

SAMUEL C. KERR

*P. O. Nottingham.*

*St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties, Md.*

|                                                |          |
|------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Baptisms—white 20, colored 29,                 | 49       |
| Communicants—white 72, colored 10,             | 82       |
| Marriages—white 5, colored 2,                  | 7        |
| Funerals—white 14, colored 2,                  | 16       |
| Sabbath Schools,                               | 2        |
| “ Teachers,                                    | 12       |
| “ Scholars,                                    | 50       |
| Tract Societies,                               | 1        |
| Contributed to the General Missionary Society, | \$124 00 |
| “ to the Episcopal Fund,                       | 30 00    |
| <b>ALEXANDER M. MARBURY, Rector.</b>           |          |

*St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 3, colored 5,          | 8  |
| Communicants—removed from the parish, | 2  |
| “ added to the communion,             | 3  |
| “ present number,                     | 38 |
| Marriage,                             | 1  |

*St. Matthew's Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 18, colored 5, | 23 |
| Communicants—died,            | 2  |
| “ removed from the parish,    | 4  |
| “ added to the communion,     | 4  |
| “ present number,             | 37 |
| Marriages,                    | 3  |

The collection for Missions, paid over to the Treasurer of the Diocese, and to be applied to the Diocesan Domestic and Foreign Mission, as directed, \$155 50.

Between seven and eight hundred dollars have been subscribed towards the erection of an Episcopal Church at Bladensburg, and we confidently hope it will be finished in a few months. The congregation has increased, and the demand for a suitable place of worship is very pressing. Our week services in the Church are attended most zealously by a few of the respective congregations, but, I regret to say, shamefully neglected by many. We are not discouraged, however. The doors of the Church shall be regularly opened, and the voice of prayer and praise shall regularly ascend before the

holy altar. We look for the dawn of a bright day, when multitudes will rejoice at this sweet privilege, and until that day dawns, we shall continue to sow in hope.

WILLIAM PINKNEY.

*Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.*

In presenting this annual report, the Rector feels encouraged by the past to trust to the good providence of God for the future. During the past year we as well as others have been called to mourn over the graves of departed friends and loved ones ; we have felt what it is to sympathise with those who are bowed down beneath the burden of sadness ; we have been made familiar with scenes of affliction, of bereavement, of death ; we have seen the strong man bow himself beneath the mighty hand of God. When the judgments of the Lord are abroad in the land, the people will learn righteousness, and I humbly trust, and confidently believe that though it has indeed been our lot to sow in tears, we shall yet be privileged to reap in joy.

Statistics for the past Conventional year.

|                                   |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Baptisms—white 12, colored 40,    | 52   |
| Marriages—white 7, colored 3,     | 10   |
| Deaths—adults white,              | 10   |
| “ infants, “                      | 5    |
| “ adults colored,                 | 3    |
| “ infants, “                      | 4—22 |
| Communicants—last reported white, | 73   |
| “ removed,                        | 3    |
| “ died,                           | 1    |
| “ rejected,                       | 2    |
| “ added,                          | 3    |
| “ colored,                        | 20   |
| “ present number,                 | 90   |

Amount of weekly offerings about \$60, placed in the hands of the Rector by a pious parishioner the sum of \$100, to be disposed of for the glory of God, and the advancement of CHRIST's kingdom on earth. This amount of \$100 is to be an annual donation, and as the disbursement has been left altogether with the discretion of the Rector, he has made arrangements to transfer it to the Treasury of the Education Society of the Diocese of Virginia.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL JR., *Rector.*

*May, 30th, 1843.*

*Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne's county.*

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Communicants, . . . . .           | 7  |
| Baptisms, . . . . .               | 17 |
| Burials, . . . . .                | 3  |
| Sunday school scholars, . . . . . | 20 |

NORRIS M. JONES, *Rector.**St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's county.*

|                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| Baptism, - - - - -      | 1 |
| Confirmed, - - - - -    | 1 |
| Communicants, - - - - - | 6 |
| Funeral, - - - - -      | 1 |

CLEMENT F. JONES, *Rector.**St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.*

|                                          |    |
|------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 9, colored 32, - - - - -  | 41 |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 27, - - - - - | 31 |
| Funerals—white, - - - - -                | 8  |
| Confirmed, - - - - -                     | 5  |
| Communicants—last reported, - - - - -    | 61 |
| “ died and removed, - - - - -            | 4  |
| “ added, - - - - -                       | 5  |
| “ present number, - - - - -              | 62 |

About \$80 has been taken up in collections for Missionary and other Church purposes, since Christmas. Besides which the ladies have contributed \$150 towards the building of a Sunday School and lecture room, about to be erected in the parish. The spiritual welfare of this parish is also, I trust, improving.

HENRY BROWN, *Rector.**Parsonage, Centreville, May 30th, 1843.**All Faith Parish—St. Mary's county.*

The subscriber has performed nearly all the parochial duties of this parish during the last year, in consequence of its being without a rector, to its great privation and spiritual destitution. It is a highly interesting and promising field of labor, and doubtless, with zeal and energy on the part of a rector, might become equal to many other fair portions of the Diocese.

It will hereafter stand in greater need than ever of the regular ministrations of the sanctuary, and the constant superintendence of its own shepherd; as Charlotte Hall School, over which I preside, by the increasing numbers of its pupils and prosperous condition, will henceforth call for renewed effort and more exclusive attention to its duties and interests. Regular services are held every other Sunday, in the school room—the children of the school catechised, and a lecture on some part of the Book of Common Prayer, or portions of the Word of God, delivered.

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Funerals, . . . . .  | 12 |
| Baptisms, . . . . .  | 19 |
| Marriages, . . . . . | 6  |

JOHN CLAXTON, *Principal Charlotte Hall School.*

*P. O. Charlotte Hall.*

*King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county.*

The undersigned undertook the charge of this parish in September last, at which period it had been unprovided with a minister for nearly a year, and was already evincing the usual evil, if not fatal consequences arising from the delay of such provision. There has been, since that period, some moral improvement; but the undersigned laments that he cannot report much perceptible progress towards that more elevated tone, which is commonly understood by *spirituality*. He is not, however, of opinion that it is, in *this* respect, a whit behind any of the numerous *country* congregations, with which it has happened to him to become acquainted, in this and in other Dioceses.

The following is the parochial report from September 1st, 1842 :—

|                                                          |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants, white 8, colored 12, . . . . .         | 20 |
| Confirmed—white 5, colored 4, . . . . .                  | 9  |
| Communicants—found in the parish in September, . . . . . | 61 |
| “ added, . . . . .                                       | 10 |
| “ died, . . . . .                                        | 4  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                     | 1  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                              | 66 |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 3, . . . . .                  | 5  |
| Funerals—white 11, colored 12, . . . . .                 | 23 |

PHILIP BERRY, *Rector.*

*May, 1843.*

*St Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.*

The present rector having been unanimously invited by the vestry, took charge of this parish on the first of last July. (He had previously received

a call to "All Faith" Parish, with the strong assurance of the vestry that great exertions would be made by them to raise a sufficient salary, but after remaining therein three months, and seeing little effort made, and no prospect whatever of any support, he felt reluctantly compelled to leave this destitute but interesting field of labor, for his present cure.)

The congregations are large, orderly, and still characterised by their former attention to the duties of religion, and by discriminating love for the Church.

|                                                                 |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white, adult 1—infants, white 13, colored 7, . . . . . | 21 |
| Confirmed—white 3, colored 1, . . . . .                         | 4  |
| Communicants—added, . . . . .                                   | 10 |
| “ died, . . . . .                                               | 6  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                            | 6  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                     | 70 |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 1, . . . . .                         | 3  |
| Funerals—white, . . . . .                                       | 9  |

CHARLES E. PLEASANTS.

*Leonardtown.*

*Somerset Parish, Somerset county.*

|                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| Deaths, . . . . .       | 9  |
| Marriages, . . . . .    | 6  |
| Baptisms, . . . . .     | 16 |
| Communicants, . . . . . | 89 |

HENRY CROSDALE, *late Rector.*

*Princess Anne, May, 1843.*

*Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.*

|                                                            |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—adults 9—infants, white 83, colored 2, . . . . .  | 94  |
| Confirmed—white 44, colored 2, . . . . .                   | 46  |
| Two of the above were confirmed by the Bishop of Delaware. |     |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .                      | 75  |
| “ added, . . . . .                                         | 55  |
| “ died, . . . . .                                          | 8   |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                       | 1   |
| “ withdrawn, . . . . .                                     | 1   |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                | 120 |

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Marriages, . . . . .                    | 10 |
| Funerals—white 13, colored 1, . . . . . | 14 |
| Sunday Schools, . . . . .               | 2  |
| Teachers 13, scholars 75, . . . . .     | 88 |

The state of this parish is encouraging ; churchmen are beginning to act from principle ; family worship is more generally attended to than heretofore ; children and servants are more carefully instructed in the doctrines of the Gospel ; the poor receive more frequent, assiduous, and kind attention to their wants. The congregations appear devout and reverent in the house of God ; and the responsive parts of the service are more distinctly performed ; the sacraments are more highly valued, as will appear from the large numbers baptised and admitted to the Lord's Supper ; and to crown all, the accomplishment of long needed repairs of the Churches, and the multiplication of the services, begin to give evidence of a proper estimation of the worth of the privileges of the sanctuary, and an increasing reverence for God. During Lent, the Church in Salisbury was open for daily prayer at sunrise ; and was attended by a goodly number. A Church reading society has been established in Salisbury, promising much instruction to its members. A female school based upon the principles of religion, is under the care of Mr. Lewin, a candidate for holy orders, and is training its pupils for usefulness in the Church. Mr. Lewin also acts as a lay-reader on every Sunday when there is no minister present. For these fruits of faith, we bless Him, by whose might they are accomplished,

Benevolent contributions \$30 00.

K. J. STEWART, *Rector*.

S. G. CALLAHAN, *Assistant Minister*.

*Stepney Parish, Somerset county.*

|                                        |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adult 1, infants 2, . . . . . | 3  |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .  | 11 |
| “ added, . . . . .                     | 3  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                   | 2  |
| “ suspended, . . . . .                 | 1  |
| “ present number, . . . . .            | 11 |
| Marriage, . . . . .                    | 1  |
| Funerals, . . . . .                    | 2  |
| Benevolent contributions \$10 00.      |    |

K. J. STEWART, *Rector*.

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*Rehoboth, May, 1843.*

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|                         |    |         |     |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|-------------------------|----|---------|-----|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms—adults         | 4, | infants | 57, | - | - | - | - | - | 61 |
| Confirmed,              | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 8  |
| Communicants—died,      | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 5  |
| “ removed,              | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 5  |
| “ added,                | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 11 |
| “ whole number,         | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 99 |
| Marriages,              | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 6  |
| Funerals,               | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 14 |
| Sunday school teachers, | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 11 |
| “ “ scholars,           | -  | -       | -   | - | - | - | - | - | 58 |

**HENRY M. MASON, *Rector.***

|                                     |           |           |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Baptisms—white 3, colored 1,</b> | . . . . . | <b>4</b>  |
| <b>Communicants,</b>                | . . . . . | <b>16</b> |

**Baptisms—adults 1, infants, white 3, colored 3, . . . 7**  
**Confirmed, . . . . . 11.**



|                                               |     |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----|
| Communicants—found on the register, . . . . . | 50  |
| “ added, . . . . .                            | 7   |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 1, . . . . .       | 2   |
| Funerals—white 4, colored 1, . . . . .        | 5   |
| Sunday school teachers, . . . . .             | 11  |
| “ scholars, white 60, colored 40, . . . . .   | 100 |

The present Rector entered upon his duties the 1st December, 1842. By humble and faithful labor he trusts a good harvest may here be reaped.

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector*.

*Hancock, Washington county, Md.*

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*St. John's Parish, Washington county.*

|                                                            |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 7, colored 18, adults 3, . . . . . | 28       |
| Confirmed—white 18, colored 2, . . . . .                   | 20       |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .                      | 117      |
| “ added, . . . . .                                         | 26       |
| “ died, . . . . .                                          | 8        |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                       | 7        |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                | 128      |
| Marriages, . . . . .                                       | 8        |
| Funerals, . . . . .                                        | 20       |
| Weekly offerings for Missions, . . . . .                   | \$111 77 |
| Special collection on Quinquagesima, . . . . .             | 54 00    |
| For Prayer Book, Homily and Tract Society, . . . . .       | 16 57    |
| Special collection for Bishop's salary, . . . . .          | 46 34    |
|                                                            | <hr/>    |
|                                                            | \$228 68 |

The Rector records also with gratitude a legacy of \$500 from a lamented member of the Parish to aid in the enlargement and thorough repair of the Church building. In addition to this, contributions have been secured to the amount of about \$2,000, and the work is now in a state of progress.

The arrangements for services on Sundays, Holy Days and Prayer Days in the Church and in various outposts of the Parish reported last year, are still continued and with such measure of prosperity as to afford increased encouragement.

THEODORE B. LYMAN, *Rector of*  
*St. John's Parish, Washington county.*

*Hagerstown, May 29th, 1843.*

*All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county.*

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Families, . . . . .               | 49 |
| Communicants, . . . . .           | 48 |
| Baptisms—infants, . . . . .       | 4  |
| Sunday School children, . . . . . | 36 |
| “ teachers, . . . . .             | 8  |
| Catechetical class, . . . . .     | 20 |

A house and lot have been bequeathed to this parish, for a parsonage, by a member of the Church now deceased.

WILLIAM JAMES CLARK.

May 30th, 1843.

*All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county.*

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 21, colored 5, . . . . . | 26 |
| Marriages—white 6, colored 5, . . . . . | 11 |
| Funerals, . . . . .                     | 8  |

In the lower part of the parish, in the vicinity of St. John's Chapel, they have had a meeting, and have determined to remove the chapel and put it in complete repair. One gentleman, for that purpose, has given a lot of ground, in a more favorable location than the present site of the Chapel, and has also given fifty dollars, in materials, towards repairing the building after it shall be moved; while others have manifested a great degree of liberality, in giving their labor toward *re-building* and *re-fitting* the temple of their God.

JOHN P. ROBINS, *Assistant Minister of*  
*All Hallows' Parish, and rector of St. John's Chapel, Worcester county.*

*Worcester Parish, Worcester county.*

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Families, . . . . .               | 53 |
| Communicants, . . . . .           | 51 |
| Baptisms—infants, . . . . .       | 5  |
| Marriages—colored, . . . . .      | 2  |
| Sunday School scholars, . . . . . | 45 |
| “ teachers, . . . . .             | 8  |
| Catechetical class, . . . . .     | 16 |

In addition to the regular services in the Parish Church, the rector performs service at seven out stations—viz: *five* in Worcester and *two* in All Hallows, at some of which no clergyman has ever before rendered service

There is here as fair missionary ground as can be found in the State ; and the labors of a missionary could no where be better given. The rector at present performs this duty, although its performance takes him away two-thirds of his time from his family ; and notwithstanding the constant claims of two large stated congregations upon his attention.

The old parish Church of St. Martin's will be put in repair this summer, when (used as a chapel to the present parish,) we expect to hold a regular service there.

WILLIAM JAMES CLARK.

*May 30th, 1843.*

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*Sykesville, Md.*

Rev. D. Hillhouse Buel reports to the Bishop the following ministerial services, performed since his ordination at the stated season, in September last. After remaining three weeks in charge of Emmanuel Parish, Cumberland, I came into Carroll County by appointment of the Bishop, and since then have been officiating alternately in Carroll county, near Sykesville, and in Howard district in and near Lisbon. At my station in Carroll, there is an old Chapel of the Church built before the Revolution. This building was in a most ruinous condition when I came into the neighbourhood, no services of the Church having been held in all that region for nearly twenty years previous to the visit of the Bishop last September. Through the zeal and energy of a little handful of Church people, the Chapel has been so far repaired that we have been able to occupy it since Christmas, and we hope by the aid of our fellow Churchmen in other places, to repair the house thoroughly during the summer and have it ready for consecration. As we should expect in a field that has been so long neglected, we meet with much opposition from ignorance and prejudice ; but the few Churchmen that are there seem determined to exert themselves thoroughly to replant the Church among them, and I have a good hope that we shall be able to do so, and greatly to bless that community by its holy influences. There are four Communicants at this station, I have officiated at one burial. The Missionary offerings for the Chapel, collected by the stated use of the offertory, amount to \$20 64.

At my other station, there are 6 Communicants, and the contributions to Missions amount to \$5 00. This, like the station in Carroll, is a field that has been long neglected—but there is here a little band of devout and faithful Churchmen, who welcome with warm hearts the establishment of Church services among them, and will do all they can to plant the Church there firmly.

D. HILLHOUSE BUEL.

*Sykesville, Md. May 30th, 1843.*

*From the Report of the Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough.*

Having been recently visited with a severe attack of sickness, and being at present only partially restored, and not sufficiently to enable me to be present at the meeting of the Convention, it becomes my duty therefore to address you a few lines in relation to my proceedings at Denton. I have continued to officiate there in compliance with your request from the period of my first appointment to the present time, and though the services have not been so frequent as I could have wished, still they have been stated and regular. The place of holding public worship has been the Presbyterian meeting house, the use of which was kindly tendered to me from the first and which I have continued to occupy ever since. The congregations have always been respectable in point of numbers, and on no occasion was I prevented from attending agreeably with appointment either by bad weather or by sickness, while therefore our little band had the bread of life regularly dispensed to them, others had an opportunity of having the open declaration of the creed of the Catholic Church and of participating in the pure and beautiful forms of her worship. In addition to those who in the village, you are aware, acknowledge themselves to belong to us, no other accessions have been made; but I have heard of several families in the neighbourhood who express a decided preference for our communion, and say, that were there a church in Denton they would not hesitate to attach themselves to it. An offer has been made of a lot of ground as a site for a building, and also to erect the same for a sum of eight hundred dollars.

ROBERT W. GOLDSBOROUGH.

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*St. John's College, Annapolis.*

The subscriber has preached, during the past year, fourteen times in St. Anne's at Annapolis; in St. Margaret's, of Severn district, four times; in St. James', at West River, once: and six times in All Hallows', South River; where, on the 15th Sunday after Trinity, I baptised four colored children.—At the Church last named, I also administered the communion at the Nativity, on Sexagesima Sunday, and at Easter. The clerical offices occasionally performed by me, in Annapolis, are included in the report of the rector of St. Anne's.

HECTOR HUMPHREYS, *President of St. John's College.*

May 31st, 1843.

*St. James's Hall.*

Right Rev. and Dear Sir :

In compliance with the canonical requisition, I have to state, that my official duties have, since my entrance into the Diocese, in September last, been exclusively those connected with the rectorship of the Hall, excepting the reading of the Church service on two occasions, in St. John's Church, Hagerstown. I have ministered constantly in the Chapel of the Hall, excepting during a period of some weeks, when prevented by indisposition : the Rev. Russell Trevett assisting.

I have also, since my connexion with the Diocese, baptised one infant in the city of New York, and two adults in the Chapel of the Hall, and publicly received one child, previously baptised in private.

The Holy Communion is administered by me on the second Sunday of each month, and, besides, on all the festivals for which proper prefaces are provided in the communion office. The communicants here are 10. We have usually, however, several others communing with us.

The public services of the Church are regularly performed in the Chapel, twice on every Sunday, and on Christmas, Ash-Wednesday, and Good-Friday, and in the mornings of every other holy day, and of Wednesday and Friday of each week.

I am very affectionately and obediently yours,

JOHN B. KERFOOT, *Rector of St. James's Hall.*

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Maryland.

*Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge.*

The undersigned having relinquished the charge of Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge, and of Grace Church, Howard District, Anne Arundel County, can only report, with respect to them, to the 13th of April, 1843 ; at which time he left for the purpose of commencing Ministerial Services at Darlington, Harford County, with the view of raising another Congregation and building a house of worship. He respectfully reports, that there have been,

Baptisms—white 7, colored 1, . . . . . 8

Funerals, . . . . . 2

Communicants—added 1, . . . . . 1—11

Church offerings, for the use of the minister and charitable purposes \$44 59. This being the only mode of raising, and the amount raised by the Congregation for those objects.

*At Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing.*

|                                 |    |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults 1, children 12, | 13 |
| Marriages,                      | 2  |
| Funerals,                       | 4  |

Communion well attended; but there is an uncertainty respecting the number not reported in other Parishes.

The Church building was completed and opened for divine worship on Sunday, November 27th, 1842; being within a few days of one year from the commencement of the Congregation.

On the 16th of April last, being Easter day, the undersigned commenced religious worship at the Academy of Darlington, which has been regularly continued every Sunday since, morning and afternoon; besides a weekly service on Wednesday evenings. The attendance on these services of religion is very encouraging. There are already 13 Communicants reported to him as desirous of having a regular Congregation formed in Darlington, or its vicinity; as they are so remote from any Episcopal Church as to render it very inconvenient to attend.

A Sunday school is formed, consisting of 35 scholars, which we hope will be increased, as there are 9 teachers engaged in whose zeal we have every confidence.

ROBERT PIGGOTT.

The undersigned begs leave respectfully to report to his Bishop his clerical services since the last Convention. He has continued heretofore to officiate in St. John's Parish, Washington county, assisting the Rector in the Parish Church, and in several stations on the outskirts of the Parish. During the absence of the Rector, as agent of St. James's Hall in June and July, and again in September last, he supplied the desk and pulpit of St. John's Church, Hagerstown; since November he has held regular services on every second Sunday in Williamsport, in the Methodist meeting house. He has to report 5 marriages and 6 funerals performed by him.

Since October last the undersigned has been acting as one of the instructors in St. James's Hall, and in conjunction with the Rector, the Rev. Mr. Kerfoot, has conducted the religious services of that institution.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

RUSSELL TREVETT, *Deacon.*

May 31st, 1843.

*Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, in account with the Treasurer. Cr.*

|         |                                                                               |            |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 1842.   | 1842.                                                                         | 1842.      | 1842.   | 1842.                                                                                                                                                    | 1842.      |
| May 27  | Paid Rev. J. A. McKenny attending Standing Committee,                         | \$ 22 87   | May 25  | By Balance then in favor of the Fund                                                                                                                     | \$765 69   |
| " 30    | J. Merriken, Sexton St. Paul's Church,                                        | 20 00      | " 30    | Committee appointed to receive the Pa-<br>rochial Contributions,                                                                                         | 552 00     |
| June 27 | R. M. Hall, for postage, paper, &c.                                           | 4 47       |         | N. B. \$187 of this sum being of doubtful<br>application (though probably designed<br>for the Bishop's Fund) is reserved for<br>order of the Convention, |            |
| " 27    | Southern Churchman, advertising meet-<br>ing of the Convention,               | 3 50       |         | Rock Creek Parish, per W. A. Harris,                                                                                                                     | 16 00      |
| July 21 | Rev. Dr. W. E. Wyatt, expenses attend-<br>ing General Convention at New York, | 24 00      | " 30    | St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county,                                                                                                                      | 7 00       |
| " 27    | Jos. Robinson for 1,000 copies of the<br>Journal of the Convention of 1842,   | 225 65     | July 19 | St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,<br>per Rev. Samuel C. Kerr,                                                                                   | 20 00      |
| Aug. 19 | Editors of the American, advertising,                                         | 3 75       | 1843.   | Three quarters Interest on Corporation<br>Stock, to the 1st January, inclusive,                                                                          | 45 00      |
| Sep. 22 | Rev. C. F. Jones, Standing Committee,<br>July,                                | 7 25       | Jan'y 5 |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| " 22    | Rev. L. I. Gillis, Standing Committee,<br>July and September,                 | 16 00      |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| 1843.   |                                                                               |            |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| March   | Rev. L. I. Gillis, Standing Committee,<br>December and March,                 | 16 00      |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| May 29  | H. Colburn, Secretary, incidental expen-<br>ses,                              | 5 30       |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| " 31    | Certificate of 6 per cent. Corporation<br>Stock, \$1,000 cost,                | \$695 00   |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
| " 31    | Cash in hand,                                                                 | 361 90     |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
|         |                                                                               | 1,056 90   |         |                                                                                                                                                          |            |
|         |                                                                               | \$1,405 69 | May 31  | By Balance favor of the Fund,                                                                                                                            | \$1,405 69 |
|         |                                                                               |            |         |                                                                                                                                                          | \$1,056 90 |

BALTIMORE, May 31st, 1843.

R. H. OWEN, Treasurer.

*Statement of Receipts and Investments of the Permanent Fund of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Maryland since Convention of May, 1842, to 30th May, 1843, inclusive.*

| 1842.  |                                                                                          | Investments. | Receipts.    |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| May 25 | These amounts reported to Board of Trustees, - - - - -                                   | \$ 10,167 45 | \$ 11,944 45 |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parishes, Prince George's, -              |              | 17 00        |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. John's Church, Baltimore county, at Convention, -                |              | 35 00        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,          |              | 181 84       |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, at Convention, - -                     |              | 5 00         |
| " 26   | By cash received of Christ Church, Harford county, at Convention, - -                    |              | 37 50        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention, - - - - - |              | 25 00        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,           |              | 15 00        |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. James' Church, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,               |              | 59 50        |
| " 26   | By cash received of William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention, - - - - - |              | 20 80        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, at Convention, -               |              | 2 60         |
| " 26   | By cash received of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention, -                 |              | 23 50        |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention,                |              | 36 92        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Zion Parish, Frederick county, at Convention, -                      |              | 106 29       |
| " 26   | By cash received of William and Mary Parish, Charles county, at Convention,              |              | 72 00        |
| " 26   | By cash rec'd of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C., at Convention, - -                    |              | 141 00       |
| " 26   | By cash received of Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge, at Convention, -                   |              | 87 00        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Christ Church, Worcester county, at Convention, -                    |              | 9 00         |
| " 26   | By cash received of Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, at Convention, -                  |              | 4 00         |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county, at Convention,               |              | 51 08        |
| " 26   | By cash received of Trinity Church, Washington, D. C., at Convention, -                  |              | 196 00       |
|        | Amount carried forward, -                                                                | \$ 10,167 45 | \$ 3,070 48  |



|        |                                                                                                                                                                                           | Investments. | Receipts.    |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1842.  | Amount brought forward, -                                                                                                                                                                 | \$10,167 45  | \$ 13,070 48 |
| May 26 | By cash received of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention, -                                                                                                                 |              | \$75 39      |
| " 26   | By cash received of Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention, - - - -                                                                                              |              | 2 50         |
| " 26   | By cash received of East New Market Parish, Dorchester county, at Convention, - - - -                                                                                                     |              | 40 00        |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention, -                                                                                                                   |              | 67 50        |
| " 26   | By cash received of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention, -                                                                                                                  |              | 12 50        |
| " 27   | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention, per Rev. S. C. Kerr, - - -                                                                                  |              | 10 00        |
| " 27   | By cash received of St. John's Church, Havre-de-Grace, at Convention, -                                                                                                                   |              | 10 00        |
| " 27   | By cash received of Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention, - - - -                                                                                              |              | 21 00        |
| " 27   | By cash received of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention, - - - -                                                                                                   |              | 86 00        |
| " 27   | By cash received of Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention, -                                                                                                           |              | 50 28        |
| " 27   | By cash received of Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, at Convention, -                                                                                                                 |              | 29 20        |
| " 27   | By cash received of All Saints' Parish, Talbot county, at Convention, -                                                                                                                   |              | 2 00         |
| " 28   | By cash received of St Anne's Parish, Annapolis, at Convention, per T. S. Alexander, Esq. - - - -                                                                                         |              | 90 00        |
| " 31   | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, at Convention, - -                                                                                                                     |              | 100 00       |
| June 6 | To expenses of Rev. Dr. Johns, agent for soliciting subscriptions, &c - -                                                                                                                 | 20 00        |              |
| " 6    | To expenses of Rev. Mr. Crosdale, agent for soliciting subscriptions &c, - -                                                                                                              | 35 00        |              |
| " 3    | To \$2,700 6 per cent. certificate of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, No. 549, with interest from 1st April, 1842, payable in 1854, purchased of B. I. Cohen at \$ 78 for \$ 100, - - - | 2,106 00     |              |
| " 4    | By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, per M. A. Lea, - - -                                                                                                                    |              | 5 00         |
| " 6    | By cash received of Christ Church, Georgetown, per Dr. Johns, - -                                                                                                                         |              | 76 00        |
| " 6    | By cash received of Trinity Church, Washington, per Dr. Johns, - -                                                                                                                        |              | 25 00        |
|        | Amount carried forward, -                                                                                                                                                                 | \$13,273 45  | \$ 13,774 85 |

|         |                                                                                                                                                                                            | Investments. | Receipts.   |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1842.   | Amount brought forward, -                                                                                                                                                                  | \$12,328 45  | \$13,772 85 |
| June 6  | By cash received of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, - - - -                                                                                                                             |              | 15 00       |
| " 6     | By cash received of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, - - - -                                                                                                                            |              | 30 00       |
| " 6     | By cash received of St. John's Church, Georgetown, - - - -                                                                                                                                 |              | 25 00       |
| " 13    | By cash received of Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, - -                                                                                                                        |              | 15 00       |
| " 30    | By cash received of Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, - - - -                                                                                                                             |              | 24 00       |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, -                                                                                                                   |              | 15 00       |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - -                                                                                                                                  |              | 275 00      |
| " 30    | By cash received of Christ Church, Balt.                                                                                                                                                   |              | 5 00        |
| July 12 | By cash received of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, - - - -                                                                                                                           |              | 20 00       |
| " 12    | By cash received of Christ Church, Harford county, - - - -                                                                                                                                 |              | 5 00        |
| " 20    | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, - -                                                                                                                         |              | 22 35       |
| " 21    | By cash received of St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's county,                                                                                                             |              | 22 00       |
| " 26    | By cash received of Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county, - -                                                                                                                        |              | 2 00        |
| " 26    | By cash received of Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro', - - - -                                                                                                                               |              | 51 00       |
| " 29    | By cash received of All Saints' Church, Frederick county, - - - -                                                                                                                          |              | 157 40      |
| " 29    | By cash received of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, - -                                                                                                                       |              | 37 43       |
| " 29    | By cash received of Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county, - -                                                                                                                         |              | 13 38       |
| " 29    | To \$2,500, 6 per cent. certificate of the Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road, No. 581, with interest from 1st, July 1842, payable 1854, purchased of B. I. Cohen, at \$80 50 for \$100, - - - - | 2,012 50     |             |
| " 29    | To cash paid Dobbin, Murphy and Bose for advertising in American, - -                                                                                                                      | 2 00         |             |
| " 30    | By cash received of William and Mary Parish, St Mary's county, - -                                                                                                                         |              | 24 00       |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$485 00                                                                                                                         |              |             |
| " 30    | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - - 388 00                                                                                                                               |              |             |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore, - - - - 40 00                                                                                                                          |              | 913 00      |
|         | Amount carried forward, -                                                                                                                                                                  | \$14,342 95  | \$15,444 41 |

|         |                                                                                                                                                   | Investments. | Receipts     |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1842.   | Amount brought forward, -                                                                                                                         | \$14,342 95  | \$15,444 41  |
| Aug. 1  | By cash received of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, - - -                                                                                     |              | 9 00         |
| " 5     | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - \$124 00                                                                                  |              |              |
| " 5     | By cash rec'd of Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - 175 30                                                                                           |              |              |
|         |                                                                                                                                                   |              | 299 30       |
| " 5     | By cash received of St Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - -                                                                                            |              | 10 00        |
| Sept 3  | By cash received of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, - - -                                                                                    |              | 10 00        |
| " 6     | By cash received of All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county, - - -                                                                               |              | 46 00        |
| " 10    | By cash received of St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills, - - -                                                                               |              | 23 00        |
| " 30    | By cash received of Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's county, - - -                                                                            |              | 48 50        |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - \$285 00                                                                                  |              |              |
| " 30    | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - 70 00                                                                                         |              |              |
| " 30    | By Cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - 20 00                                                                                    |              |              |
|         |                                                                                                                                                   |              | 375 00       |
| Oct. 4  | By cash received of Chester Parish, Kent county, Md.                                                                                              |              | 96 63        |
| " 20    | By cash rec'd of Trinity Parish, Charles county,                                                                                                  |              | 37 00        |
| " 21    | By cash received of All Saints', Frederick                                                                                                        |              | 51 60        |
| " 31    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - \$165 00                                                                                  |              |              |
| " 31    | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - 30 00                                                                                         |              |              |
|         |                                                                                                                                                   |              | 195 00       |
| Novr. 7 | To \$1,500 6 pr. ct. Balt. & Ohio Rail Road Bonds, No. 670, with Interest from 1 Oct. 1842, payable in 1834, purchased from N. Harris at \$83 50. | 1,252 50     |              |
| " 7     | By cash received of St. John's Church, Georgetown,                                                                                                |              | 55 00        |
| " 16    | By cash received of St Paul's Parish, Prince George's,                                                                                            |              | 5 00         |
| " 16    | By cash received of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county.                                                                                          |              | 20 00        |
| " 16    | By cash received of Christ Church, Harford county.                                                                                                |              | 5 25         |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - -                                                                                           |              | 225 00       |
|         | Amount carried forward, -                                                                                                                         | \$15,595 45  | \$ 16,955 69 |

|         |                                                                                                  | Investments. | Receipts.    |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1842.   | Amount brought forward, -                                                                        | \$15,595 45  | \$ 16,955 69 |
| Nov. 30 | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - - -                                          |              | 33 00        |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - - -                                     |              | 25 00        |
| 1843.   |                                                                                                  |              |              |
| Jan. 4  | By cash received of Durham Parish, Charles county.                                               |              | 5 00         |
| " 6     | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis,                                                |              | 10 00        |
| " 18    | By cash received of St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills,                                    |              | 55 00        |
| " 18    | By cash received of St. James' Church, West River,                                               |              | 33 00        |
| " 18    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Frostburg,                                                |              | 16 78        |
| " 18    | By cash received of Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.                                         |              | 50 00        |
| " 18    | By cash received of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.                                         |              | 10 00        |
| " 31    | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis,                                                |              | 70 00        |
| Feb. 2  | By cash received of St. Michael's Parish, Prince George's,                                       |              | 5 00         |
| " 28    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                |              | 10 00        |
| " 28    | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,                                               |              | 10 00        |
| March 8 | By cash received of Somerset Parish, Somerset county,                                            |              | 45 00        |
| " 24    | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis,                                                |              | 30 00        |
| " 31    | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, per letter of Rev. Mr. Winslow, 24th February, |              | 50 00        |
| " 31    | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,                                               |              | 3 20         |
| May 8   | By cash received of Trinity Church, Elkton, Cecil county, per Mr. Glenn.                         |              | 100 00       |
| " 16    | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis,                                                |              | 50 00        |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                |              | 880 00       |
|         |                                                                                                  | \$15,595 45  | \$ 17,946 37 |

*Statements of Receipts and Disbursements of the Temporary or Interest Fund for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland, from Convention, May, 1843, to 30th May, 1843, inclusive.*

| 1842.  |                                                                                 | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| May 25 | These amounts reported to the Board of Trustees, - - - - -                      | \$2,270 00     | \$ 1,327 44 |
| " 26   | By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's, Prince George's, at Convention, -      |                | 8 50        |
| " 26   | By cash from St. John's Church, Baltimore county, at Convention, -              |                | 15 00       |
| " 26   | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, at Convention, - - -                 |                | 2 70        |
| " 26   | By cash from Christ Church, Harford county, at Convention, - - -                |                | 19 95       |
| " 26   | By cash from Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention, -       |                | 13 00       |
| " 26   | By cash from Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention, -       |                | 5 75        |
| " 26   | By cash from St. James' Church, West River, A. Arundel co., at Convention, -    |                | 30 70       |
| " 26   | By cash from Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, at Convention, -             |                | 8 40        |
| " 26   | By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention, - - -           |                | 19 50       |
| " 26   | By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention, -            |                | 24 96       |
| " 26   | By cash from Zion Parish, Frederick county, at Convention, - - -                |                | 14 61       |
| " 26   | By cash from William and Mary's Parish, Charles county, at Convention, -        |                | 18 18       |
| " 26   | By cash from Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge, at Convention, - -               |                | 46 98       |
| " 26   | By cash from Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, at Convention, -                |                | 2 28        |
| " 26   | By cash from Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention, - |                | 1 35        |
| " 26   | By cash from East New Market Parish, Dorchester county, at Convention, -        |                | 2 40        |
| " 26   | By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention, - - -            |                | 30 30       |
| " 26   | By cash from St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention, - - -           |                | 7 50        |
| " 27   | By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention, -        |                | 5 40        |
| " 27   | By cash from Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention, - |                | 6 87        |
| " 27   | By cash from St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention, -      |                | 24 00       |
|        | Amount carried forward, - - -                                                   | \$2,270 00     | \$ 1,635 77 |

|                             |                                                                                                  | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1842.                       | Amount brought forward, - -                                                                      | \$2,270 00     | \$ 1,635 77 |
| May 27                      | By cash from Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention, - -                       |                | 24 00       |
| " 27                        | By cash from Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, at Convention, - -                             |                | 14 82       |
| " 27                        | By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention, - -                              |                | 60          |
| " 28                        | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, per T. S. Alexander, Esq - -                          |                | 58 60       |
| " 31                        | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - -                                                  |                | 12 00       |
| June 4                      | By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, per A. M. Lea, - -                             |                | 2 75        |
| " 6                         | By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's county, per S. I. Donaldson, - - |                | 12 00       |
| " 13                        | By cash from Queen Caroline's Parish, Anne Arundel county, per R. N. Waters, - -                 |                | 10 85       |
| " 17                        | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one quarter's salary in advance, from 17th June, 1842, - -   | 750 00         |             |
| " 30                        | By cash from St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, - -                              |                | 9 30        |
| " 30                        | By cash from Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, - -                                              |                | 14 46       |
| " 30                        | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Balto                                                            |                | 20 70       |
| " 30                        | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,                                                           |                | 25 00       |
| July 12                     | By cash from St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, - -                                            |                | 3 40        |
| " 20                        | By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, - -                                      |                | 8 43        |
| " 21                        | By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's Parish, Prince George's county, - -                      |                | 12 66       |
| " 21                        | By cash for three month's Interest on \$4,356 08 6 per cent. Rail Road Bonds,                    |                | 65 34       |
| " 22                        | By cash for dividend on 100 shares Citizens' Bank stock, at 3 per cent, - -                      |                | 30 00       |
| " 22                        | By cash for dividend on 7 Shares Union Bank stock, at 2 1-2 per cent, - -                        |                | 13 12       |
| " 26                        | By cash from Broad Creek Parish, Prince George's county, - -                                     |                | 1 20        |
| " 26                        | By cash from Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, - -                                              |                | 29 40       |
| " 26                        | By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick, - -                                                  |                | 42 60       |
| " 30                        | By cash from William and Mary's Parish, St. Mary's county, - -                                   |                | 14 00       |
| " 30                        | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - -                                                   |                | 41 40       |
| Amount carried forward, - - |                                                                                                  | \$3,020 00     | \$ 2,102 40 |

|          |                                                                                  | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|----------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1842.    | Amount brought forward, - -                                                      | \$3,020 00     | \$ 2,102 40 |
| May 30   | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - -                              |                | 19 60       |
| " 30     | By cash from St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore, - - - -                             |                | 6 80        |
| August 1 | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - - -                               |                | 5 40        |
| " 1      | By cash from All Saint's Parish, Calvert county, - - - -                         |                | 2 70        |
| " 5      | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$39 00                       |                |             |
| " 5      | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - - 11 25                             |                | 50 25       |
| " 9      | By cash for 6 month's Interest on \$1000 State of Maryland stock, - - - -        |                | 30 00       |
| Sept. 3  | By cash from St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, - - - -                        |                | 5 40        |
| " 3      | By cash from St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, - - - -                        |                | 9 00        |
| " 10     | By cash from St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills, - - - -                   |                | 12 57       |
| " 30     | By cash from Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's county, - - - -                |                | 20 79       |
| " 30     | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$20 30                       |                |             |
| " 30     | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - - 9 00                              |                |             |
| " 30     | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - - 6 00                         |                | 35 30       |
| Oct. 3   | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham in advance, from 17th September, 1842, - -       | 750 00         |             |
| " 4      | By cash from Chester Parish, Kent county, - - - -                                |                | 32 40       |
| " 4      | By cash for 3 months Interest on \$6,856 08 6 per cent. Rail Road Bonds, - - - - |                | 102 84      |
| " 20     | By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles county, - - - -                             |                | 9 82        |
| " 21     | By cash from All Saints', Frederick, - - - -                                     |                | 30 54       |
| " 31     | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$11 32                       |                |             |
| " 31     | By cash from Christ Church, Balt. 17 20                                          |                | 28 52       |
| Nov. 16  | By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, - - - -                  |                | 2 35        |
| " 16     | By cash from St. James' Parish, Baltimore county, - - - -                        |                | 2 40        |
| " 16     | By cash from Christ Church, Harford county, - - - -                              |                | 1 75        |
|          | Amount carried forward, - -                                                      | \$3,770 00     | \$ 2,511 33 |

|         |                                                                                                         | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|---------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1842.   | Amount brought forward, - -                                                                             | \$3,770 00     | \$ 2,511 33 |
| Nov. 30 | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$23 80                                              |                |             |
| " 30    | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - - 116 50                                              |                | 140 30      |
| 1843.   |                                                                                                         |                |             |
| Jan'y 4 | By cash from Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, - - - -                                              |                | 6 00        |
| " 4     | By cash from Durham Parish, Charles co.                                                                 |                | 4 53        |
| " 6     | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - - -                                                      |                | 8 24        |
| " 14    | By cash for 6 month's Interest on \$1,000 State of Maryland stock, due, 1st January, 1843. - - - -      |                | 30 00       |
| " 14    | By cash for 3 month's Interest on \$8,356 08 6 per cent. Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds, - - - -    |                | 125 34      |
| " 18    | By cash from St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills, - - - -                                          |                | 8 25        |
| " 18    | By cash from St. James' Church, West River, - - - -                                                     |                | 11 13       |
| " 18    | By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, - - - -                                               |                | 13 80       |
| " 18    | By cash from Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county, - - - -                                               |                | 28 77       |
| " 18    | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham in advance, from 17th December, 1842, for one quarter's salary, - - - - | 750 00         |             |
| " 31    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$92 00                                              |                |             |
| " 31    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore, - - - - 130 00                                                   |                | 222 00      |
| " 31    | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - - -                                                      |                | 11 40       |
| Feb. 25 | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - - -                                                      |                | 30 00       |
| " 20    | By cash for dividend on 100 shares Citizens' Bank stock, 2 1-2 per cent. - -                            |                | 25 00       |
| " 20    | By cash for dividend on 7 shares Union Bank stock, 2 1-2 per cent. - -                                  |                | 13 12       |
| " 20    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - - \$1 00                                               |                |             |
| " 20    | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, - - - - 1 00                                                |                | 2 00        |
| March 8 | By cash from Somerset Parish, Somerset county, - - - -                                                  |                | 4 47        |
| " 24    | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - - -                                                      |                | 18 00       |
|         | Amount carried forward, -                                                                               | \$4,520 00     | \$ 3,213 68 |



|         |                                                                                                                                                                             | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1843.   | Amount brought forward, - -                                                                                                                                                 | \$4,520 00     | \$ 3,213 68 |
| April 1 | By cash for dividend on \$9,356 08 Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds, for 3 months, - - - -                                                                                |                | 140 34      |
| " 1     | By cash for 3 month's Interest on State of Maryland Bonds, 5 and 6 per cent. from 1st October, 1841, to 1st January, 1842, \$129 23 sold at 65 cents per dollar, is \$84 00 |                |             |
|         | Less 1-2 per cent. to commissioner for issue of certificate, - - 65                                                                                                         |                | 83 35       |
| " 14    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,                                                                                                                                      |                | 15 00       |
| May 8   | By cash from Trinity Church, Elkton, Cecil county, per William Glenn, -                                                                                                     |                | 12 00       |
| " 16    | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, - - - -                                                                                                                          |                | 27 60       |
| " 16    | By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, from communicants, - - -                                                                                                         |                | 28 15       |
| " 23    | By cash from Christ Church, Calvert county, - - - -                                                                                                                         |                | 1 20        |
| " 24    | By cash from All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county, from communicants, -                                                                                                 |                | 12 50       |
| " 24    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, from communicants, - - -                                                                                                         |                | 222 57      |
| " 27    | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham, for one quarter's salary in advance, from 17th March, 1843, - - - -                                                                        | 750 00         |             |
| " 30    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore, from communicants, - - - -                                                                                                           |                | 103 73      |
| " 30    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, - - - -                                                                                                                          |                | 45 60       |
|         |                                                                                                                                                                             | \$5,270 00     | \$ 3,905 72 |

**DR. *The Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland, in  
account with C. C. JAMISON, Treasurer.*** CR.

## APPENDIX.

| 1842. |  | 1843. |  | 1844. |  | 1845. |  | 1846. |  | 1847. |  | 1848. |  | 1849. |  | 1850. |  | 1851. |  | 1852. |  | 1853. |  | 1854. |  | 1855. |  | 1856. |  | 1857. |  | 1858. |  | 1859. |  | 1860. |  | 1861. |  | 1862. |  | 1863. |  | 1864. |  | 1865. |  | 1866. |  | 1867. |  | 1868. |  | 1869. |  | 1870. |  | 1871. |  | 1872. |  | 1873. |  | 1874. |  | 1875. |  | 1876. |  | 1877. |  | 1878. |  | 1879. |  | 1880. |  | 1881. |  | 1882. |  | 1883. |  | 1884. |  | 1885. |  | 1886. |  | 1887. |  | 1888. |  | 1889. |  | 1890. |  | 1891. |  | 1892. |  | 1893. |  | 1894. |  | 1895. |  | 1896. |  | 1897. |  | 1898. |  | 1899. |  | 1900. |  | 1901. |  | 1902. |  | 1903. |  | 1904. |  | 1905. |  | 1906. |  | 1907. |  | 1908. |  | 1909. |  | 1910. |  | 1911. |  | 1912. |  | 1913. |  | 1914. |  | 1915. |  | 1916. |  | 1917. |  | 1918. |  | 1919. |  | 1920. |  | 1921. |  | 1922. |  | 1923. |  | 1924. |  | 1925. |  | 1926. |  | 1927. |  | 1928. |  | 1929. |  | 1930. |  | 1931. |  | 1932. |  | 1933. |  | 1934. |  | 1935. |  | 1936. |  | 1937. |  | 1938. |  | 1939. |  | 1940. |  | 1941. |  | 1942. |  | 1943. |  | 1944. |  | 1945. |  | 1946. |  | 1947. |  | 1948. |  | 1949. |  | 1950. |  | 1951. |  | 1952. |  | 1953. |  | 1954. |  | 1955. |  | 1956. |  | 1957. |  | 1958. |  | 1959. |  | 1960. |  | 1961. |  | 1962. |  | 1963. |  | 1964. |  | 1965. |  | 1966. |  | 1967. |  | 1968. |  | 1969. |  | 1970. |  | 1971. |  | 1972. |  | 1973. |  | 1974. |  | 1975. |  | 1976. |  | 1977. |  | 1978. |  | 1979. |  | 1980. |  | 1981. |  | 1982. |  | 1983. |  | 1984. |  | 1985. |  | 1986. |  | 1987. |  | 1988. |  | 1989. |  | 1990. |  | 1991. |  | 1992. |  | 1993. |  | 1994. |  | 1995. |  | 1996. |  | 1997. |  | 1998. |  | 1999. |  | 2000. |  | 2001. |  | 2002. |  | 2003. |  | 2004. |  | 2005. |  | 2006. |  | 2007. |  | 2008. |  | 2009. |  | 2010. |  | 2011. |  | 2012. |  | 2013. |  | 2014. |  | 2015. |  | 2016. |  | 2017. |  | 2018. |  | 2019. |  | 2020. |  | 2021. |  | 2022. |  | 2023. |  | 2024. |  | 2025. |  | 2026. |  | 2027. |  | 2028. |  | 2029. |  | 2030. |  | 2031. |  | 2032. |  | 2033. |  | 2034. |  | 2035. |  | 2036. |  | 2037. |  | 2038. |  | 2039. |  | 2040. |  | 2041. |  | 2042. |  | 2043. |  | 2044. |  | 2045. |  | 2046. |  | 2047. |  | 2048. |  | 2049. |  | 2050. |  | 2051. |  | 2052. |  | 2053. |  | 2054. |  | 2055. |  | 2056. |  | 2057. |  | 2058. |  | 2059. |  | 2060. |  | 2061. |  | 2062. |  | 2063. |  | 2064. |  | 2065. |  | 2066. |  | 2067. |  | 2068. |  | 2069. |  | 2070. |  | 2071. |  | 2072. |  | 2073. |  | 2074. |  | 2075. |  | 2076. |  | 2077. |  | 2078. |  | 2079. |  | 2080. |  | 2081. |  | 2082. |  | 2083. |  | 2084. |  | 2085. |  | 2086. |  | 2087. |  | 2088. |  | 2089. |  | 2090. |  | 2091. |  | 2092. |  | 2093. |  | 2094. |  | 2095. |  | 2096. |  | 2097. |  | 2098. |  | 2099. |  | 2100. |  | 2101. |  | 2102. |  | 2103. |  | 2104. |  | 2105. |  | 2106. |  | 2107. |  | 2108. |  | 2109. |  | 2110. |  | 2111. |  | 2112. |  | 2113. |  | 2114. |  | 2115. |  | 2116. |  | 2117. |  | 2118. |  | 2119. |  | 2120. |  | 2121. |  | 2122. |  | 2123. |  | 2124. |  | 2125. |  | 2126. |  | 2127. |  | 2128. |  | 2129. |  | 2130. |  | 2131. |  | 2132. |  | 2133. |  | 2134. |  | 2135. |  | 2136. |  | 2137. |  | 2138. |  | 2139. |  | 2140. |  | 2141. |  | 2142. |  | 2143. |  | 2144. |  | 2145. |  | 2146. |  | 2147. |  | 2148. |  | 2149. |  | 2150. |  | 2151. |  | 2152. |  | 2153. |  | 2154. |  | 2155. |  | 2156. |  | 2157. |  | 2158. |  | 2159. |  | 2160. |  | 2161. |  | 2162. |  | 2163. |  | 2164. |  | 2165. |  | 2166. |  | 2167. |  | 2168. |  | 2169. |  | 2170. |  | 2171. |  | 2172. |  | 2173. |  | 2174. |  | 2175. |  | 2176. |  | 2177. |  | 2178. |  | 2179. |  | 2180. |  | 2181. |  | 2182. |  | 2183. |  | 2184. |  | 2185. |  | 2186. |  | 2187. |  | 2188. |  | 2189. |  | 2190. |  | 2191. |  | 2192. |  | 2193. |  | 2194. |  | 2195. |  | 2196. |  | 2197. |  | 2198. |  | 2199. |  | 2200. |  | 2201. |  | 2202. |  | 2203. |  | 2204. |  | 2205. |  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| 1843.    | Amount brought forward,                                         | 1842.    | Amount brought forward,                                                                                                                                                | \$104 18 |
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| March 4  | To cash paid Rev. Mr. Kehler, (as per voucher,) . . . . .       | \$966 24 | Christ Church parish, A. A. county, per Rev. Mr. Waters, . . . . .                                                                                                     | 8 94     |
| " 7      | To cash paid Mr. John Loney, agent, (as per voucher,) . . . . . | \$100 00 | Off, discount on money, . . . . .                                                                                                                                      | 06       |
| " 15     | To cash paid Rev. Mr. Harris, (as per voucher,) . . . . .       | 390 63   |                                                                                                                                                                        |          |
| April 12 | To cash paid Rev. Mr. Piggott, (as per voucher,) . . . . .      | 90 00    | 1/2 disposal of Bishop, . . . . .                                                                                                                                      | \$4 44   |
| " 12     | To cash paid Rev. J. N. McJilton, (as per voucher,) . . . . .   | 25 00    | 1/2 disposal Domestic Committee of General Society, . . . . .                                                                                                          | 4 44     |
| " 18     | To cash paid Rev. E. M. Van Deusen, (as per voucher,) . . . . . | 37 50    | St. Peter's Church, per Dr. Henshaw, for support of Missionary at Pontiac. Michigan, to be paid over to James Howard, receiving agent for Board of Missions, . . . . . | 8 88     |
| May 22   | To cash paid Rev. Mr. Harris, (as per voucher,) . . . . .       | 20 00    | For Broad Creek Church, Kent Island, to be paid to order of Rev. Norris M. Jones, . . . . .                                                                            | 37 50    |
| " 29     | To cash paid Mr. John Loney, agent, (as per voucher,) . . . . . | 100 00   | For Patuxent Chapel, to be paid to order of Rev. Mr. Piggott, . . . . .                                                                                                | 20 00    |
| " 31     | To cash paid Rev. N. M. Jones, (as per voucher,) . . . . .      | 274 00   | For St. James' African Church, order Rev. J. N. McJilton, . . . . .                                                                                                    | 25 00    |
| April 4  | To cash paid Mr. J. Loney, (as per voucher,) . . . . .          | \$5 00   |                                                                                                                                                                        | \$7 50   |
|          |                                                                 | 40 00    | St. John's Parish, per Rev. Mr. Harrison, for Domestic Committee of the D and F. Missionary Soc. for use Bishop Chase, . . . . .                                       | 7 00     |
|          |                                                                 |          | For Diocesan Society, . . . . .                                                                                                                                        | 15 05    |
|          |                                                                 |          | All Hallows' Parish, per Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, for the disposable fund of Diocesan Board of Missions, . . . . .                                                       | 22 05    |
|          |                                                                 |          | For Diocesan Missions, . . . . .                                                                                                                                       | 15 00    |
|          |                                                                 |          |                                                                                                                                                                        | 5 50     |
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| Sept. 28 | Chester Parish, Chestertown, per S. I Donaldson, for Domestic Missions,<br>For African Mission,                                                                                                                                                                                  | 25 00<br>24 00                            | 49 00                  |
| “ 28     | St. Peter's Church, by N. Ridgely, 'Treas'r, to be appropriated as follows:<br>For Prayer Book, Homily and Tract Society of Maryland,<br>For St. James' African Church, Balto.<br>“ Diocesan Board of Missions, Md.<br>“ Pontiac Missionary, (Michigan,) Constantinople Mission, | 25 00<br>37 50<br>50 00<br>37 50<br>20 00 | 170 00                 |
| “ 29     | G. F. Worthington, Rector of Sherwood and St. John's Churches, \$174 41<br>‡ to Diocesan Society,<br>Of the remaining one-third to be divided as follows: two thirds to Domestic Committee of General Missionary Society,                                                        | 116 27<br><br>98 76<br>19 38              | <br><br>174 41<br>1 50 |
| Oct. 5   | One third to Foreign Missionary Soc. Dividend on \$100, City 6 p. ct. Stock, Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, St. John's Church, for Diocesan Society,                                                                                                                                     | 19 67<br>9 00                             | 28 67                  |
| “ 24     | For Bishop Chase, Cumberland, for Emanuel Church, for }<br>Missionary Fund disposable, }<br>Zion Parish, Frederick county, Rev. Joseph Trapnell, for Africa, }<br>For Domestic Mission, }                                                                                        | 4 00<br>3 06                              | 7 06                   |
|          | Christ Church, Elk Ridge, for Missionary offerings,                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                           | 13 08                  |
|          | Amount carried forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                           | \$733 12               |

Amount brought forward, -

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| Amount brought forward, -                                                                           |         |
| All Saints' Parish, from Rev. Mr. Peter-kin, for Domestic Mission, .                                | 40 00   |
| For Church at Galveston, .                                                                          | 10 00   |
| " Athens, by a youth R. P. .                                                                        | 1 35    |
| " Bishop Chase (gift of Miss Swearingen,) . . . .                                                   | 10 00   |
| <hr/>                                                                                               |         |
| " 30 Rev. G. F. Worthington, Rector of Sherwood and St. John's Churches, Baltimore county, . . . .  | 67 39   |
| Sewing Society of Sherwood Church, . . . .                                                          | 27 00   |
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| To be appropriated as follows:                                                                      | \$94 39 |
| ‡ former sum for Diocesan Mission, . . . .                                                          | 33 69   |
| ‡ former sum for Domestic Missions, South and West, . . . .                                         | 33 70   |
| ‡ latter sum Diocesan Mission, . . . .                                                              | 13 50   |
| ‡ " Miss Chase, female school, (Illinois,) . . . .                                                  | 13 50   |
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| Dec. 31 St. Peter's male Sunday school Christmas day offering, for Church at Pontiac, Miss. . . . . | 7 61    |
| For Church at Tabor, Miss. . . . .                                                                  | 7 61    |
| Mrs. Jackson, for Tabor station, . . . .                                                            | 5 00    |
| St. Peter's female school Christmas day offerings. for Home Missions, . . . .                       | 7 17    |
| For Foreign Missions, . . . .                                                                       | 7 16    |
| For Constantinople, special, . . . .                                                                | 5 00    |
| St. Peter's female Sunday school, for support of Jane Barry, in Africa, . . . .                     | 20 00   |

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|                  | For Church at Galveston,                                                                   | 6 00    |              |
|                  | " St. James' African Church, Balto.                                                        | 37 50   |              |
|                  | " Church of Ascension,                                                                     | 110 00  | 213 05       |
| 1849.<br>Jan'y 3 | Christ Church Parish, Calvert county,<br>by Rev. J. A. Buck,                               |         | 10 00        |
|                  | Christ Church, Easton, through Rev.<br>Mr. Mason,                                          |         | 8 00         |
|                  | Somerset Parish, Somerset co., through<br>Rev H. Crosdale,                                 |         | 20 00        |
|                  | St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county,<br>through Rev. Dr. Spencer,                          | \$13 61 |              |
|                  | Depreciated notes,                                                                         | 1 63    | 11 98        |
| " 12             | Sherwood and St. John's Churches, by<br>Rev. G. F. Worthington, for Dioc-<br>san Missions, | 10 00   |              |
|                  | For Domestic Missions,                                                                     | 24 23   |              |
|                  | Sherwood Academy, for Diocesan Mis-<br>sion,                                               | 10 00   |              |
|                  | For Domestic Mission,                                                                      | 10 00   |              |
|                  | For Jubilee College,                                                                       | 10 00   | 64 23        |
| " 12             | By Dividend City Stock,                                                                    |         | 1 50         |
| " 18             | By St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills,<br>by Rev. Mr. Harrison, for Diocesan<br>Society,  | 12 52   |              |
|                  | For Bishop Chase,                                                                          | 6 00    | 18 52        |
|                  | St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, Dr.<br>Henshaw, for Domestic and Foreign<br>Missions.       |         | 6 00         |
|                  | Amount carried forward,                                                                    |         | \$1,242 14   |
|                  |                                                                                            |         | - \$2,078 37 |

Amount brought forward,

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| Feb. 24 | All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, Rev Mr Williams, (by Dr. Henshaw,) for Diocesan State Missions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                    |  |  |
| March 1 | Church of the Ascension, by Rev. Mr Peck, for Foreign and Domestic Mis-<br>sions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                    |  |  |
| "       | St Peter's Church, by Dr. Henshaw, for Missions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                    |  |  |
| " 2     | St. Andrew's Church, by the Rev. Mr. Kepler, for Missions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                    |  |  |
| " 15    | St. John's Parish, Prince George's county, by Rev. Edward N. Van Deusen, for Foreign Committee, For Domestic Committee,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 9 47<br>9 48                                       |  |  |
| " 16    | All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, for Diocesan Missions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 9 00                                               |  |  |
| "       | For General "                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 7 00                                               |  |  |
| " 29    | Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of Christ Church, Washington, D. C.<br>Sunday school offerings for a native African, in Rev. Mr. Paine's school,<br>From J. P. Ingle, for African Mission,<br>From Sunday school for Greek Children,<br>From Sunday offerings of the Church, for Foreign Missions,<br>For Domestic "<br>From J. P. Ingle for Jubilee College, \$3<br>From Mrs. Mary Ingle " | 20 00<br>20 00<br>12 00<br>25 00<br>28 50<br>10 00 |  |  |

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| 91,243 14 |  |
| 10 00     |  |
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| April 4   | St. Peter's Church, Sunday offerings by N. Riugely, as follows:<br>For St. James' African Church, Bali more,<br>For Rev. Mr. Pigott. Patuxent Chapel,<br>For St. John's Church, Prince George's county,<br>For Trinity Church, Munroe, Michigan,<br>For St. Paul's Church, Akron, | \$7 50<br>25 00<br>20 00<br>20 00<br>20 00 | 122 50     |
| " 7       | Sherwood Church, by Rev. G. F. Worthington, for Foreign Missions,<br>For Domestic Missions,                                                                                                                                                                                       | 20 00<br>20 00                             | 40 00      |
| " 12      | Interest on \$100, City Stock,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                            | 1 50       |
| " 18      | Sherwood and St. John's Parish, by Rev. G. F. Worthington, \$94 64<br>for Diocesan Society, \$63 09<br>less 25 00                                                                                                                                                                 | 39 09                                      |            |
|           | With the request that \$25, be sent to Rev. Mr. Jones, Kent Island,<br>Of the remaining 1/4 as follows,<br>1/4 for Domestic Missions,<br>1/4 for Foreign                                                                                                                          | 25 00<br>21 03<br>10 52                    | 94 64      |
| " 18      | Chester Parish, Kent county, for Diocesan Missions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 20 00                                      | 20 00      |
| " 18      | Baltimore, " a Baptismal offering by a Gentleman,"                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 5 00                                       | 5 00       |
|           | Amount carried forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                            | \$1,901 88 |
|           | Amount carried forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$2,078 37                                 |            |



1843.

Amount brought forward,

\$2,078 97

1843.  
April 27

\$1,901 88

Amount brought forward,  
Christ Church, by Rev. Mr. Keech, for  
use of Rev. Norris M. Jones, of Kent  
Island,  
May 9 St. Mark's and St. Matthew's Parishes,  
by Rev. Mr. Pinkney,  
For Foreign Missions, 16 00  
" Domestic " 16 00  
" Diocesan, " 29 00  
" General Domestic Board, 14 50  
" Foreign Board, 14 50

10 00

90 00

" 23 St. John's Church, by Rev. Mr. Harri-  
son, for Diocesan Mission,  
" 30 Chapel, St. Thomas' Parish, \$5 64  
Station on Howard District, 3 00  
by Rev. D. H. Buel, \$8 64

10 32

For Diocesan purposes, 7 64  
" General Missions, 1 00

9 64

" 31 Christ Church, Queen Anne's county,  
by Rev. N. M. Jones, for Diocesan  
Society, 1 12  
For Bishop's salary, 3 50

4 62

Balance due me, 52 91

52 91

\$2,078 97

May 31 To Balance due Treasurer,

\$52 91

E. E.

BALTIMORE, May 31st, 1843.

C. C. JAMISON, Treasurer.

APPENDIX.

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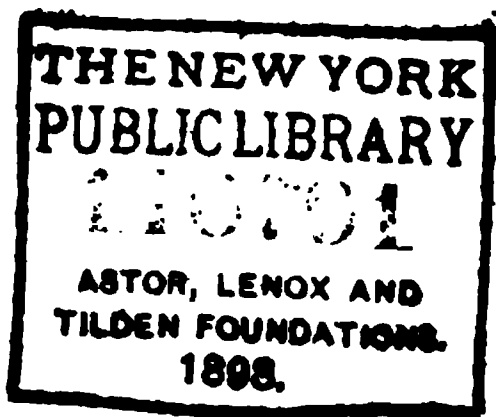
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FORM OF A PAROCHIAL REPORT.

———— Parish ———— County, May 18—.

Baptisms, . Adults, white —, colored —, = — } . . . . —  
" . Infants, do. —, do. —, = — } . . . . —

Confirmed, . . white —, colored —, . . . . . —

Communicants, last reported —, added —, . . . . — }  
" died —, removed —, withdrawn —, suspended, — }

" present number, . . . . . —

Marriages, . . . white —, colored —, . . . . . —

Funerals, . . . do. —, do. —, . . . . . —

Sunday schools, male teachers —, scholars —, } Teachers, . —  
" " female do. — do. —, } Scholars, . —

Amount of collections for the different institutions connected  
with the Church.

Remarks by the Rector.

Nearest Post Office.

————, Rector.

**LIST OF THE CLERGY**  
**OF THE**  
**DIOCESE OF MARYLAND,**  
**JUNE 3, 1844.**

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- Rt. Rev. WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM, Bishop of the Diocese.**  
**Rev. James Abercrombie, Rector of Trinity Parish, Charles county.**  
**\*Rev. Walter D. Addison.**  
**Rev. Henry Aisquith, Rector of Severn Church, and Ellicott Chapel, Patux-  
ent Forge, Anne Arundel county.**  
**Rev. Thomas Atkinson, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.**  
**Rev. Charles C. Austin, Rector of St. Thomas' Parish, Baltimore county.**  
**\*Rev. Thomas Barrow, Principal of a School in Frederick county.**  
**\*Rev. Enoch Bayley, Principal of a School, and officiating in East New-  
market, Dorchester county.**  
**\*Rev. Thomas Bayne, residing in Talbot county.**  
**Rev. Henry H. Bean, Rector of Christ Church, Washington Parish, D. C.**  
**Rev. Philip Berry.**  
**Rev. Thomas Billopp, Rector of St. George's and St. John's Parishes,  
Harford county.**  
**Rev. William F. Brand, Rector of All Hallows Parish, Anne Arundel county.**  
**Rev. Henry Brown, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne county.**  
**Rev. James Alfred Buck, Rector of St. Thomas' Church, Hancock, and  
officiating in St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring, Washington county.**  
**Rev. David Hillhouse Buel, Rector of the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Balti-  
more and Carrol counties, and officiating in the Parish of the Ascen-  
sion, Carrol county.**  
**Rev. Samuel Buel, Rector of Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.**  
**Rev. Samuel Grant Callahan, Rector of Sherwood Church, Baltimore  
county.**  
**Rev. John Hamilton Chew, Deacon, Assistant Minister of All Saint's Parish,  
Calvert county.**  
**\*Rev. Josiah Clapham, Principal of a School in Frederick county.**  
**\*Rev. John Claxton, Principal of Charlotte Hall Academy, St. Mary's  
county.**

## LIST OF THE CLERGY.

- Rev. Sappington W. Crampton, Rector of Durham Parish, Charles county.  
Rev. Henry Crosdale, Missionary in Hungary Neck, Somerset county.  
Rev. John Crosdale, Rector of Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties.  
Rev. Thomas B. Flower, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.  
Rev. Matthias L. Forbes, Rector of St. James' Parish, Baltimore county.  
Rev. John W. French, Rector of the Parish of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.  
Rev. Adolph Frost, Assistant Professor of Languages in the College of St. James, Washington county.  
Rev. Stephen G. Gassaway, Rector of Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.  
Rev. Levin I. Gilliss, Missionary in the Northern Liberties, Washington, D. C.  
Rev. Robert Lloyd Goldsborough, Rector of St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil county, and of Trinity Church, Elkton.  
Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough, Missionary in Caroline county.  
\*Rev. Henry L. B. Goodwin, residing in Charles county.  
Rev. Samuel R. Gordon, Deacon, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.  
Rev. Matthias Harris, Rector of Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.  
Rev. William A. Harris, Rector of Rock Creek Parish, D. C.  
Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Rector of St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
Rev. William Hawley, Rector of St. John's Parish, Washington, D. C.  
Rev. Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, Deacon, Missionary at Huntington, near Baltimore.  
Rev. John F. Hoff, Rector of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county.  
Rev. John W. Hoffman.  
Rev. Alfred Holmead, Rector of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, and Chaplain of the Patapsco Female Institute.  
Rev. Hector Humphreys, D.D. President of St. John's College, Annapolis.  
Rev. Orlando Hutton, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county.  
Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Rector of Christ Church, Baltimore.  
Rev. Leonard H. Johns, Principal of an Academy in Cumberland, Allegany county.  
\*Rev. Wm. P. C. Johnson, Rector of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.  
Rev. Clement F. Jones, Rector of Chester Parish, Kent county.  
Rev. Norris M. Jones, Rector of Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne county.  
Rev. John R. Keech, Rector of St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, and of Christ Church, Harford county.

**Rev. John H. Kehler, Missionary in Allegany county.**

**Rev. Henry S. Keppler, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.**

**Rev. John B. Kerfoot, Rector of the College of St. James, Washington county.**

**\*Rev. Samuel C. Kerr, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county.**

**Rev. George Armistead Leakin, Deacon, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Baltimore.**

**\*Rev. Meyer Lewin, Deacon, officiating in Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.**

**\*Rev. Dwight Edwards Lyman, Deacon, Instructor in the College of St. James, Washington county.**

**Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, Rector of St. John's Parish, Washington county.**

**Rev. George L. Mackenheimer, Rector of Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's county.**

**Rev. Alexander M. Marbury, Rector of St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties.**

**Rev. Henry M. Mason, D.D. Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.**

**Rev. John N. McJilton, Rector of St. Stephen's Church and of St. James' (First African) Church, Baltimore.**

**Rev. James A. McKenney, Rector of Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county.**

**Rev. Alfred A. Miller, Rector of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.**

**Rev. Joshua Morsell, Deacon, Rector of St. James' Parish, Anne Arundel county.**

**Rev. John Owen, Rector of Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.**

**Rev. Francis Peck, Rector of the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore.**

**Rev. Joshua Peterkin, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Frederick county.**

**\*Rev. Richard H. Phillips, Assistant Minister of Zion Parish, and Principal of a Female School at Urbana, Frederick county.**

**Rev. Robert Piggott, Rector of the Church of the Redemption, Baltimore.**

**Rev. William Pinkney, Rector of St. Matthew's and Zion Parishes, Prince George's county.**

**\*Rev. Charles E. Pleasants.**

**Rev. Robert Prout, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county.**

**\*Rev. William H. Rees, Rector of All Hallows' and Worcester Parishes, Worcester county.**

**\*Rev. Reuben Riley, Vice Rector of the College of St. James, Washington county.**

**Rev. John P. Robins, Rector of St. John's Parish, Worcester county.**

**Rev. Alexander Shiraz, Rector of St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.**



- \*Rev. Joseph Speneer, D. D., Rector of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.  
 Rev. Harvey Stanley, Rector of Somerset Parish, Somerset county.  
 Rev. Edward J. Stearns, officiating in Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing,  
 Anne Arundel county.  
 Rev. Kensey Johns Stewart, Rector of Spring Hill and Stepney Parishes,  
 Somerset county.  
 \*Rev. Elie W. Stokes, (a colored man) Deacon, officiating in St. James's  
 (First African) Church, Baltimore.  
 Rev. Horace Stringfellow, Rector of Trinity Parish, Washington, D. C.  
 \*Rev. Fitch W. Taylor, Chaplain in the United States Navy.  
 Rev. John M. Todd, Rector of William and Mary Parish, Charles county.  
 \*Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Rector of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county.  
 Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Jr., Rector of Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.  
 Rev. Russell Trevett, Assistant Minister of St. John's Parish, Washington  
 county, and Professor of Languages in the College of St. James.  
 Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, Rector of St. Ann's Parish, Anne Arundel  
 county,  
 Rev. Richard Henry Waters, Rector of Christ Church, Queen Caroline  
 Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 \*Rev. Edward Waylen, Rector of Prince George Parish, Montgomery  
 county.  
 Rev. James C. Wheat, Principal of Prospect Hall Female School, Hager-  
 town, Washington county.  
 Rev. John Wiley, Rector of St. Stephen's Parish, and officiating in St.  
 Augustine's Parish, Cecil county.  
 Rev. Henry Williams, Rector of All Saints' Parish, Calvert County.  
 Rev. Lemuel Wilmer, Rector of Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.  
 Rev. George F. Worthington, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Catonsville,  
 Baltimore county.  
 Rev. Thomas J. Wyatt, Rector of All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county.  
 Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D. Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.

Whole number, 98.

Present in Convention, 78.

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*List of Clergy, not members, in attendance :*

|                            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Rev. N. A. Hewitt, Deacon. | Rev. Alexander Shiraz, |
| “ John W. Hoffman,         | “ Edward J. Stearns,   |
| “ Alfred A. Miller,        | “ James C. Wheat.      |

Those marked thus (\*) did not attend the Convention.

LIST OF  
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS  
IN THE  
**DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.**

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***Allegany County :***

Emmanuel Parish.  
St. Peter's Church, Lonaconing.  
[St. Paul's Church, Frostburg ; Christ Church Parish.]

***Anne Arundel County :***

All Hallows' Parish.  
Queen Caroline Parish.  
St. Ann's Parish.  
St. James's Parish.  
St. Margaret's Westminster Parish.  
Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge.  
Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills.  
St. John's Church, Howard District.  
Severn Church.  
[Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing.]

***Baltimore City :***

St. Paul's Parish.  
Church of the Ascension.  
Church of the Redemption.  
Christ Church.  
Cranmer Chapel.  
Mount Calvary Church.  
St. Andrew's Church.  
St. Stephen's Church.  
St. Peter's Church.  
St. James's (First African) Church.

***Baltimore County :***

St. James's Parish.  
St. Thomas's Parish.

St. John's Church (in the Valley.)  
St. Timothy's Church.  
Sherwood Chapel, Cockeysville.

*Baltimore and Carrol Counties :*  
Parish of the Holy Trinity.

*Baltimore and Harford Counties :*  
St. John's Parish.

*Calvert County :*  
All Saint's Parish.  
Christ Church Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.

*Caroline County :*  
St. John's Parish.

*Carrol County :*  
Parish of the Ascension.

*Cecil County :*  
St. Augustine's Parish.  
St. Mary Anne's Parish.  
St. Stephen's Parish.  
Trinity Church, Elkton.

*Charles County :*  
Durham Parish.  
Port Tobacco Parish.  
Trinity Parish.  
William and Mary Parish.

*District of Columbia :*  
Rock Creek Parish.  
Washington Parish.  
Parish of the Epiphany, Washington.  
St. John's Parish, Washington.  
Trinity Parish, Washington.  
St. John's Church, Georgetown.  
Christ Church, Georgetown.

*Dorchester County :*  
Dorchester Parish.  
East Newmarket Parish.

Great Choptank Parish.  
Vienna Parish.

*Frederick County :*

All Saints' Parish.  
St. Mark's Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.  
Zion Parish.

*Harford County :*

St. George's Parish.  
St. John's Parish.  
Christ Church.

*Kent County :*

Chester Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.  
Shrewsbury Parish.

*Montgomery County :*

Prince George Parish.  
St. Bartholomew's Parish.  
St. Peter's Parish.

*Prince George's County :*

Parish of the Holy Trinity.  
Queen Anne Parish.  
St. John's Parish.  
St. Matthew's Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.  
Zion Parish.  
Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.

*Prince George's and Charles Counties :*

St. John's Parish.

*Queen Anne County :*

Christ Church Parish.  
St. Luke's Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.

*St. Mary's County :*

All Faith Parish.  
King and Queen Parish.

St. Andrew's Parish.

William and Mary Parish.

*Somerset County :*

Somerset Parish.

Spring Hill Parish.

Stepney Parish.

*Somerset and Worcester Counties :*

Coventry Parish.

*Talbot County :*

St. Michael's Parish.

St. Peter's Parish.

*Washington County :*

St. John's Parish.

St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring.

St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg.

St. Thomas's Church, Hancock.

*Worcester County :*

All Hallows' Parish.

St. John's Parish.

Worcester Parish.

In all, *sixty-eight* Parishes and *twenty-eight* incorporated Congregations.

## LAY DELEGATES

*Who attended this Convention, and the Parishes and Churches which they represented.*

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Hanson B. Pigman, Esq. Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.

Thomas J. Dorsett, Esq. All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county.

Allen Thomas, M. D. Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.

Captain Benjamin Mullikin, Ellicott's Chapel, Anne Arundel county.

William C. Tyler, Esq. Severn Church, Anne Arundel county.

Alexander C. Magruder, Esq. St. Ann's Parish, Anne Arundel county.

Samuel Cheston, Esq. St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.

B. Harrison, Esq. St. John's Church, Anne Arundel county.

Lemuel Bourke, Esq. St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.

Hugh D. Evans, Esq.

Samuel I. Donaldson, Esq. } St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore city.

Wm. Krebs, Esq. St. Peter's Church, Baltimore city.

John S. Gittings, Esq. }

Hon. James Carroll, } Christ Church, Baltimore city.

Mr. John Lowry, St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore city.

Mr. John R. Duvall, Ascension Church, Baltimore city.

Mr. George A. Hughes, Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore city.

Hervey Colburn, M. D. Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore city.

James Mason Campbell, Esq. St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore city.

Mr. George W. Richardson, Cranmer Chapel, Baltimore city.

Mr. Joseph J. Stewart, Church of the Redemption, Baltimore city.

Thomas C. Risteau, M. D. St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.

Mr. Richard H. Owens, St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county.

John Glenn, Esq. St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county.

Mr. R. S. Wilson, St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.

Hammond Stewart, M. D. All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.

Mr. John S. Mills, Christ Church Parish, Calvert county.

Mr. John Colhoon, Holy Trinity Parish, Carroll and Baltimore counties.

Mr. Benjamin W. Harris, St. Augustine Church, Cecil county.

Richard C. Hollyday, Esq. Trinity Church, Elkton.

Gen. John G. Chapman, Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.

Mr. James E. Keech, Trinity Parish, Charles county.

7th. Every member who shall deliver his opinion, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place ; and with respect and decency, address himself to the President.

8th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall declare who shall speak first.

9th. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, except with leave ; nor shall any member be interrupted while he is speaking in order. And if any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order.

10th. Any member called to order by the President, or by a member, shall thereupon take his seat.

11th. When the Convention is sitting, no member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in a debate.

12th. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded ; and if desired by the President, reduced to writing, and read by the Secretary.

13th. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, unless postponed by a motion for postponement, or by the previous question, before any other motion shall be received.

14th. If a question in debate contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

15th. All questions of order shall be decided by the President. Upon all questions of order there shall be a right of appeal from the decision of the presiding officer of the Convention.

16th. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention, unless he may have leave, or be unable to attend.

17th. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

18th. The foregoing rules of order shall be deemed and considered the rules of order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

# JOURNAL

OF THE

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.

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BALTIMORE, MAY 29, 1844.

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Maryland, a number of the clergy and laity assembled, at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Paul's Church.

Morning Prayer having been previously read at 6 o'clock;

The Litany was read by the Rev. James A. McKenney.

The Bishop of the Diocese took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The list of clergy entitled to seats in the last Convention was called over by the Secretary, when thirty members answered to their names, as follows :

Rt. Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, Rev. Robt. L. Goldsborough,

Rev. Jas. A. Buck,

“ Wm. A. Harris,

“ Samuel Buel,

“ H. T. Harrison,

“ D. H. Buel,

“ J. W. Hoffman,

“ S. G. Callahan,

“ Leonard H. Johns,

“ John Crosdale,

“ Norris M. Jones,

“ Thos. B. Flower,

“ John R. Keech,

“ M. L. Forbes,

“ John H. Kehler,

“ Levin I. Gilliss,

“ Henry S. Keppler,



|                         |                           |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Rev. Theo. B. Lyman,    | Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, |
| “ Geo. L. Mackenheimer, | “ Richard H. Waters,      |
| “ James A. McKenney,    | “ Henry Williams,         |
| “ Francis Peck,         | “ George F. Worthington,  |
| “ Robert Prout,         | “ Thomas J. Wyatt,        |
| “ Horace Stringfellow,  | “ Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D.     |
| “ Russell Trevett,      |                           |

The following Lay Delegates presented their testimonials, and signed the declaration required by the second article of the Constitution :

|                      |                      |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Hon. E. F. Chambers, | John Colhoon,        |
| Samuel I. Donaldson, | Richard Thomas,      |
| Hugh D. Evans,       | R. C. Holliday,      |
| Hanson B. Pigman,    | Benj. W. Harris,     |
| James Stewart,       | Charles E. Mix,      |
| George Dent,         | John C. Gott,        |
| Thomas Schnebly,     | Thos. C. Ristean,    |
| Fred. Dorsey,        | B. Harrison,         |
| William Krebs,       | Meyer Lewin,         |
| Samuel Cheston,      | James Thomas,        |
| James E. Keech,      | Lemuel Bourke,       |
| John R. Duvall,      | John M. Comegys,     |
| Charles Stevens,     | Richard S. Coxe,     |
| John S. Mills,       | Thomas J. Marshall,  |
| James Carroll,       | George A. Hughes,    |
| Richard Holmes,      | Hanson Penn,         |
| James B. Lake,       | Allen Thomas,        |
| Joshua C. Johnson,   | Chapman Billingsley, |
| Richard Dorsey,      | T. J. Dorsett.       |

On motion, the Convention proceeded to elect, *viva voce*, a Secretary to the Convention. Whereupon Hervey Colburn was declared to be unanimously re-elected.

The chair appointed Mr. Francis Asbury Baker, Assistant Secretary.

The Standing Committees were then announced, as follows :

ON THE RIGHTS OF CLERGYMEN TO SEATS.

Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Rev. Mr. Keech, Rev. Leonard H. Johns.

ON THE ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.

S. I. Donaldson, Esq., Dr. Thomas C. Risteau, Dr. James Stewart.

ON PAROCHIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Rev. Mr. Pinckney, Rev. G. L. Mackenheimer, Hon. Jas. Carroll.

ON ACCOUNTS.

Rev. Hugh T. Harrison, Dr. F. Dorsey, J. M. Comegys.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the fourth rule of order be amended by inserting after the words, "one on parochial contributions," the following, *viz* : "one on the admission of new parishes and churches, to consist of five members."

The chair appointed the following gentlemen said committee :

Rev. J. A. McKenney, Rev. H. V. D. Johns, Hon. E. F. Chambers, Richard S. Coxe, Esq., Hugh D. Evans, Esq.

On motion, *Resolved*, That at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, the Convention will proceed to the election of the Standing Committee.

*Resolved*, That immediately after the election of the Standing Committee, the Convention will go into an election for delegates to the General Convention.

The Bishop stated that he was prepared to deliver his Address, if the house was ready to receive it. Whereupon, on motion, the Bishop was requested to proceed with his Address.

The Address was then read as follows.

*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :*

It is matter of no small thankfulness to Almighty God, that of nearly a hundred clergymen now on the list of this diocese, and considerably more than that number in connexion with us during

the past year, not one has been removed by death. Our day of work has been prolonged—may it prove to have been for increased reward.

For other causes, the removals and changes have been much more numerous than was desirable. Stinted maintenance in too many instances, enfeebled health in others, and invitations to larger, more inviting and more responsible fields of labor in others, have produced frequent changes within the diocese, and deprived it of several highly valued brethren in the ministry.

Four names among those longest on our list have thus been taken from the roll. The Rev. Dr. Henshaw, after twenty-five years' connexion with the diocese, has left us to assume the charge of the Episcopate of Rhode Island. Need I say with what regret I parted with one so able in counsel, so efficient in labor, so faithful, zealous and indefatigable in the discharge of every duty? The Rev. Mr. Bausman, who has relinquished the charge of St. Augustine's Parish, Cecil county, and removed to the Diocese of Virginia, had been connected with Maryland even longer than Dr. Henshaw, but not uninterruptedly. The Rev. Mr. Mitchell, who has just taken letters dimissory to the Diocese of New Jersey, after resigning William and Mary Parish, in St. Mary's county, had ministered in that county more than twenty years; and the Rev. Dr. Robertson, who removed last autumn to the Diocese of Western New York, although his ministries were discharged in the arduous and distant field of a foreign mission, had been numbered with the clergy of this diocese for very nearly as many years. It is not pleasant to confess that *but seven* of the clergy now engaged in the duties of the ministry have been in the diocese as long a time. It is for you, brethren, to ponder on the causes that render the closest and most solemn of all ties—that between a spiritual pastor and his flock—in so many instances of brief duration and easy severance.

Beside Drs. Henshaw and Robertson, and Messrs. Bausman and Mitchell, I have been called on to dismiss to the Diocese of

Virginia the Rev. Olcott Bulkley ; to the Diocese of Georgia the Rev. Alexander J. Berger, deacon ; to the Diocese of Massachusetts the Rev. Clement M. Butler ; to the Diocese of Rhode Island the Rev. Samuel A. Taylor, deacon ; to the Diocese of New York the Rev. Samuel C. Davis, and the Rev. Samuel J. Evans, deacon ; to the Diocese of Pennsylvania the Rev. William J. Clark. In all *eight* presbyters and *three* deacons have thus removed.

To replace them, I have received, by letters dimissory from the Bishop of Virginia, the Rev. Thomas Atkinson, the Rev. William P. C. Johnson, the Rev. Alexander Shiraz, and the Rev. John M. Todd ; from the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Rev. Edward J. Stearns ; from the Bishop of New Jersey, the Rev. Adolph Frost, deacon ; from the Bishop of Connecticut, the Rev. Harvey Stanley ; from the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Alfred A. Miller, the Rev. William H. Rees, and the Rev. Edward Waylen ; and from the Bishop of New York, the Rev. Reuben Riley. In all *ten* presbyters, and *one* deacon.

Beside the Rev. Messrs. Berger and Evans, removed to other dioceses, there have been added to the list of clergy by ordination, *four* deacons, to wit : the Rev. Samuel R. Gordon, the Rev. Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, the Rev. George Armistead Leakin, and the Rev. Elie W. Stokes, a colored man.

Thus the removals have been *eleven*, the additions *fifteen* ; making the present number of clergymen in the diocese *ninety-six* ; of these, *sixty-eight* are rectors of parishes ; *five* assistant ministers ; *five* instructors in incorporated seminaries of learning ; *four* teachers of schools ; *four* performing missionary duties ; *three* otherwise statedly officiating ; *one* a chaplain in the United States Navy ; *one* (our venerable brother the Rev. Walter D. Addison) superannuated ; and one has removed to another diocese, but has not yet applied for letters dimissory.

With the increasing number of the clergy, and the very large proportion of them actively engaged in the duties of the sacred ministry, (a proportion larger than appears by the enumeration

just made, as most of those engaged in schools and colleges are in the frequent, if not constant, exercise of the ministerial functions;) other signs conspire to indicate a healthy condition of the diocese. Attendance on public worship, and interest in religious duties and privileges, are almost everywhere on the increase. The proportion of male communicants and candidates for confirmation is becoming more and more observable, albeit still very far below what it ought to be. The frequency of religious services, and disposition on the part of both clergy and people to have them still more frequent, are growing. One of the unions of parishes, mentioned last year to be reprobated, has been dissolved; and others afford promise of speedy dissolution. In several parishes new churches and chapels are erecting. In others, services are held at outlying parts of the parish, so as to accommodate persons not able to attend at the parish church. In Washington and Baltimore new congregations have been formed, under circumstances the most gratifying and encouraging,—and in Baltimore two new churches have been built, and two others, if not more, are in contemplation. Never have our clergy been more diligent, faithful, persevering, and self-denying; and never have they been more generally blessed with fruit of their labor,—not, perhaps, as abundant as their longing for their Master's glory would prompt them to desire, but sensible, widely spread, and spreading. The parochial reports, unless I greatly deceive myself, will confirm this observation, by exhibiting in all parts of the diocese increased amounts of clerical duty in all its branches, and proportionably increased results.

In so large a number of parishes and congregations, (considerably more than a hundred) it is not to be expected that there should be no exceptions to this favorable state of things. In a few instances, I have to lament an apparently stationary condition; in one or two, positive deterioration. Long continued vacancies have sadly darkened the prospects of some; and others have recently fallen vacant, for which I have too much reason to fear

that they may not readily obtain a supply. But there are *exceptions*; we may be comforted concerning them by the predominance of better hopes and prospects.

Of our internal missionary operations, I have again to report that they have remained stationary, or nearly so. No change having seemed to me expedient in the only two missions sustained by the diocese, I have not convened the missionary committee within the year. *I submit it to the wisdom of the Convention, again, whether our present mode of operation is the best; whether it does not admit of being enlarged, and increased in efficiency, to a very great extent; whether duty to our feeble parishes, and to the yet desolate places (and they are MANY) within our borders, does not exact of us that they should be so enlarged and increased in efficiency; whether it is not in our power, by some united and general action, to do so, in large degree, without making the duty burdensome to any; WHETHER WE ARE PREPARED TO ANSWER TO GOD FOR ALLOWING THINGS TO GO ON THUS, FROM YEAR TO YEAR, WHILE SOULS ARE SLIPPING INTO ETERNITY, UNCARED FOR, AND PRECIOUS OPPORTUNITIES OF SAVING THEM ARE WASTED.* We are at present doing nothing more than our duty to the two small portions of the diocese aided from our missionary funds; and they are returning, if not abundant, yet still, very distinctly perceptible fruits, for our attention: but I own I do not feel satisfied to do all for them, and nothing for other spots, equally destitute, equally unable to help themselves, equally desirous of our aid, and holding out at least an equal promise of susceptibility of good. To you I look for counsel in this perplexity. What answer shall be given to such parishes as St. Luke's, in Queen Anne county, and St. Augustine's, in Cecil county, when they ask to be aided to provide themselves with the spiritual food for which they are hungering and thirsting, and willing themselves to make every exertion to the extent, and beyond the extent, of their ability? For months they have lain vacant, with every indica-

tion of an abundant harvest awaiting a faithful laborer, were one sent, where at present it is certainly not in the power of the people to maintain him, unaided from abroad. Yet, were a portion of the stipend now paid to the two missionaries maintained by the diocese, withheld from them, it must necessitate them to withdraw from fields as worthy our attention, and needing it as much, as those we should seek to relieve by the measure. To you, brethren, I again commit this embarrassing problem—the problem how to make the performance of a small portion of our duty accomplish results which demand the whole.

Missionary efforts in the diocese, however, are not limited by the provision made for their sustentation. The zeal of the clergy outruns the willingness of their lay-brethren, and, as it should, preaches by an example more powerful than any language, the duty which those brethren are neglecting. In one parish, a faithful, zealous, laborious rector, a married man, has received from his people (and it was all they could give, and more than in proportion to the larger stipends paid by wealthy parishes, if measured by their ability) *sixty dollars* in the year. The scanty pittance beside, that has eked out his miserable subsistence, has been obtained by his application, personal and by letter, to sources without the parish; and even, in some cases, beyond the limits of the diocese. Yet in that parish, the self-sustaining missionary rector has contrived to have a chapel built, cheap and small to be sure, but neat and comfortable; because it was needed to provide a neighborhood seven miles from the parish church, and not enjoying facilities of conveyance, with the opportunity for God's worship in His Church. In another case, a clergyman is supplying a congregation gathered on the outskirts of two parishes, and preparing for the erection of a church, depending wholly on his private resources for support. In another, a new congregation is building up by one of our ablest and best-tried pastors, laboring meanwhile at his own expense and risk. In another, a clergyman supports himself by teaching school all the week, for the

privilege of opening a church for the daily service, supplying three congregations with the ministrations of the Lord's Day and at least one sermon in the week beside, and performing such pastoral duty for two of them as his human necessities of food and sleep leave him time to undertake.

I know I am giving my brethren pain, by thus alluding to their labors: but I judge that the same duteous sacrifice of self which animates them in those labors, will reconcile them to a publicity deemed necessary, by way as well of rebuke as of incitement. My brethren of the clergy and laity! if each of us in his station, would go and do likewise,—make similar exertions and sacrifices for CHRIST's and the Gospel's sake,—would our diocese long languish in unsatisfied need of gospel truth and ordinances?

To these matters, and to the kindred duty of contribution to the funds for the support of the domestic and foreign missions conducted under the sanction and superintendence of the General Board of Missions of the Church, I called the attention of the diocese in February last, by a Pastoral Letter, issued in compliance with a suggestion by the Committees of the General Board, and conformably with the same suggestion, recommended a collection in all the churches, on Balm Sunday. The result, although in some instances, particularly in the District of Columbia, it surpassed my expectations, on the whole, I fear, fell short of what might have been hoped for and ought to have been afforded. I am not, indeed, surprised that the repetition of the experiment which, on Quinquagesima in 1843, was so successful, should have proved either throughout the Church, or in any particular diocese, a failure. Such efforts, which have been well termed "spasmodic," tend, in their own nature, to gradual, and generally speedy diminution. The practical illustration of that tendency which this year's experience has afforded us, is but another lesson on the duty of steady, general provision for the discharge of this branch of duty. Again, brethren, let me urge



on you the consideration that our action, to be thoroughly effective, must be unremitting and universal. I rejoice that our deficiencies in this respect are continually lessening. We are yet far, very far, from even an easily attainable degree of perfectness; but I trust that at least the disposition to regard it as not unattainable is gaining ground. In the few instances wherein the apostolic rule, so thoroughly carried out by the early Church, of setting apart a fixed portion of our goods and gains for almsgiving and the discharge of duty,—has been fairly propounded and steadily followed, the results have been all that was hoped for, and much more. Can the Convention have a worthier object of deliberation and action than to provide for the universal adoption and practice of that rule?

The measures for the permanent establishment of the Diocesan School are still in progress, and still *only* in progress. To facilitate the settlement of the real estate, and provide for the literary character and aims of the institution, a charter of incorporation with license to confer degrees, has been obtained from the Legislature of the State. Under it, the transfer of the building and grounds from the gentlemen in Washington county who subscribed for their purchase, has been arranged for, but has not yet taken place. The repairs and alterations of the building, and the furniture and outfit, have all been paid for, so that the institution is now unencumbered with any debt. I wish I could say that this had been done by the proceeds of the recommendation unanimously made by the last Convention. The amount of those proceeds the gentleman whom I appointed to act as receiver, will report to the Convention. Beside this, I was most unexpectedly and providentially enabled to apply the sum of \$2,000, for which I am personally responsible, to the defrayal of the debt. The diocese has now no liabilities. The College as it is, in operation, is unencumbered. It remains but that it should be *supported in operation*. But it *must be so supported*, my brethren, if it is to remain a permanent possession and an endur-

ing advantage, to the diocese. The expenses must be met. They will be met, if the churchmen of Maryland will, as a matter of principle, of sound policy, and (as it surely is) of interest to themselves, send their sons for education where they will receive it of a grade that may vie with any in the country. To whom, my brethren, can I look for aid in this matter, but to you? If you, each in his several sphere of influence, will determine to maintain this institution, its career will be a proud and blessed one. If you withhold your active exertions in its behalf, it *must* languish, it *may*, even after its establishment, be made to pine to death. I know that rumors of the most absurd, and I must say disgraceful falsity, have been spread about the character, conduct, and designs of the institution. All that I ask of you, is to believe none of them without examination. Go to the school. Ask those who have been there. Question the conductors, the scholars, the inmates: and satisfy yourselves if there be there a practice permitted, or precept inculcated, a doctrine taught, a principle instilled, which the spirit and letter of our formularies of faith and worship do not sanction. The Bible and the Prayer Book are the moulds on which it is there proposed to form the religious principles and moral character of our sons; and with a thorough knowledge of the Bible and the Prayer Book, applied to practice, it is the constant aim and unwearied endeavour of the very able and efficient band of instructors there engaged, to combine intellectual training of the most thorough and elevated kind; such as may prepare a youth to enter with comfort and advantage on any walk in life. The rates of tuition and maintenance are at present not so high as in many schools of less pretensions, but higher than it is desirable they should remain. The only way to bring them down is largely to increase the number of pupils. Then, an enlargement of the whole establishment will enable the managers to throw open its advantages to all who desire a liberal education for their children. Then the sons of our half paid clergymen, and the fatherless and the des-

titute, may be taken under the tutelage of the Church and trained up to turn their talents to the best account in its service, as faithful ministers and pious laymen. Laymen of Maryland ! I appeal to you to support your bishop, honor and strengthen your diocese, benefit your clergy, and provide in the best of ways for your own posterity, by filling the College of St. James with scholars, and so perpetuating that which is now ready established to your hands.

In the operations of the Prayer Book, Homily and Tract Society no change has yet taken place. Its distributions comprise the Prayer Book only, but are found adequate to the demands of the diocese, and, I am happy to bear witness, attended with the best and most satisfactory results.

My canonical visitations in the past year have been rather fewer than in the year previous ; but have extended over the whole of the Eastern Shore, and parts or the whole of seven counties on the Western ; in all comprising *thirty-eight* parishes, in which I have officiated in *fifty-four* churches and other places of worship. Beside these, I have made occasional visits to several parishes for official purposes, and visited several, as need required, more than once within the year. In the city of Baltimore I have officiated occasionally in all the churches, and confirmed in five.

Thus I have administered the Lord's Supper *forty-seven* times ; the sacrament of Baptism *twenty-one* times, to *twelve* adults, and *twenty* children and infants ; and confirmation *forty-one* times, to *three hundred and sixteen* persons. I have read the Morning and Evening service *ninety-nine* times ; preached *one hundred and nine* times, beside the delivery of *forty-three* other addresses ; celebrated *one* marriage and *one* funeral ; consecrated *four* churches, and dedicated *two*, which had been previously consecrated, but subsequently enlarged ; laid *one* corner stone of a church ; instituted *one* rector ; and, at *four* stated, and *three* special ordinations, ordained *six* deacons and *six* priests. The number of miles travelled in the discharge of official duties, 4595.

On the Sunday after the last Convention, Whitsunday, June 4th, in the morning I said prayers and preached in St. James's (African) Church, Baltimore; in the afternoon, attended the anniversary meeting of the Sunday Schools of Baltimore, in St. Peter's Church; at which after prayers by the Rev. Mr. Miller of Norfolk, a baptism by the rector of the parish, and a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Trevett, the report was read by the Rev. Mr. Peck, and I made a brief address to the children. In the evening, at Christ Church, I preached and administered confirmation to 26 persons.

On Trinity Sunday, being the Feast of St. Barnabas, I held the stated ordination in Christ Church, Baltimore, and admitted to the holy order of deacons George Armistead Leakin, presented by the Rev. Mr. Johns, and to the priesthood the Rev. Russell Trevett, deacon, presented by the Rev. Norris M. Jones; the Rev. Messrs. Johns and Jones uniting in the imposition of hands.

On Monday, June 12th, at six in the morning, I said Morning Prayer in the place of worship then occupied by the congregation of Mount Calvary Church in Baltimore; that being the commencement of a *daily morning service* at that hour, which continued as long as the occupation of that place of worship.

On Wednesday, June 21st, I attended in my place at the annual meeting of the Board of Missions, in St. Paul's Church, Boston. \* The meeting continued through that and the two following days, elicited much interest, and resulted in the confirmation of our most important mission to the Eastern Churches, in the hands of its present very able and invaluable occupant; and in an improved settlement of the domestic missions which are producing such extensive and excellent results on our western frontier. The initiatory steps toward the formation of an Indian Diocese were also taken, with promise of ultimate success. All present and participant in the deliberations appeared to be cheered and encouraged, and strengthened in their convictions,

that these missionary operations, both foreign and domestic, are the salt of the Church, which if it suffer to perish, its savor before man and God must perish with it.

On this and subsequent official absences from my diocese, I officiated at several times and places in the dioceses of New Jersey and Pennsylvania; which services are not enumerated in the recapitulation just now given of my year's employment.

On Monday, June the 20th, I attended in my place at the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in St. John's Chapel, New York; but was prevented by illness from attending the remaining sessions of the Board.

On the sixth Sunday after Trinity, July 23d, I held a special ordination in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, and admitted to the holy order of deacons, Samuel J. Evans, presented by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt.

On Wednesday, July the 26th, I had the great pleasure to officiate in laying the corner-stone of St. Stephen's Church, Lee street, in Baltimore, using for the purpose an office prepared (principally from the form put forth by the late venerable Bishop of the Eastern diocese) and published by me for use on such occasions in this diocese.\* I delivered an address to a large and attentive assemblage. It was pleasing to observe how decidedly favorable an impression was produced by these services, and in particular by the attendance of several of the clergy in the proper ecclesiastical garment, the surplice.

The edifice commenced on that occasion, has been since happily completed. In it, we have a remarkable proof how much can be accomplished by a judicious and economical use of very slender means. For less than \$2,500, an edifice has been provided, furnishing every desirable accommodation for all the rites and ordinances of the Church. If any think its style of arrangement and decoration faulty, it is for them to consider the tendency of a gradual relinquishment of all old practices, usages and

\* It can be had, when needed, at Mr. D. Brunner's, Baltimore.

ornaments to an usurping body that stands ready to claim them, and with them the style and title of "the Catholic Church;" of which in our creeds we profess to assert our right of membership. None of the reformed communions, except the English Puritans and Scotch Presbyterians, have ever shrunk from emblazoning the cross, as distinguished from the crucifix, on buildings and furniture used for sacred purposes. It is, to say the least, an unwise policy in us, placed as we are between the Scylla of Popery and Charybdis of Dissent, to be more squeamish than Martin Luther and John Calvin. The question is one of taste and expediency. Narrowmindedness and bigotry, alone, would seek to impose upon all alike unvarying laws on such a point.

The same remark applies to the arrangement of the chancel furniture, by which, in St. Stephen's, the most has been made of a little room, and a degree of simplicity and solemnity attained which it would be difficult otherwise to combine. If there be a ground of objection to the usage of offering the morning and evening prayers at the altar, it is that of an approach to irreverence and an unseemly encroachment on the high distinction of the Eucharistic service. To that I do not think it justly liable; while it removes one stumbling-block out of the way of our dissenting brethren, who are accustomed to express dislike of the change of place necessary when the rubrics are duly observed in a church furnished with a reading pew and pulpit without the chancel rails. Within the chancel those fixtures never were introduced until within the last sixty years.

Change of garment, too, is an objection often made against our services when the surplice is laid aside for the purpose of preaching in the gown. It may be obviated by doing as the reformers did, performing all sacred duties in the one sacred garment. The fact is indisputable, Ghest, one of the revisers of the Prayer-book in the reign of Elizabeth, having argued, in his official report on completing the revision, in favor of the use of the surplice in the communion office *from its use in preaching*.

Uniformity in this respect is desirable ; but not at the expense of peace. I lay no censure on those who prefer the gown for preaching ; for they have long usage on their side ; but I agree with those whose taste and judgment prefer the surplice, and claim for them the liberty which they deny to none.

On Thursday, the 10th of August, I was present and assisting at the institution of the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, Bishop elect of Rhode Island, into the rectorship of Grace Church, Providence ; and on the next day, in St. John's Church, preached the sermon and presented the bishop elect at his consecration to the Episcopate by the Bishop of Connecticut ; the Bishops of New York, Vermont, and New Jersey, the Assistant Bishop of Virginia, and myself, assisting in the act of consecration.

On the fifteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 24th, I held the stated autumnal ordination in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, and admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, Alexander J. Berger, Samuel R. Gordon, and Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, presented by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt ; and to the Priesthood, the Rev. D. Hillhouse Buel, presented by the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, who with the Rev. Dr. Wyatt and the Rev. Messrs. Callahan and Hoffman, united in the imposition of hands. The sermon was preached on this occasion by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt. Confirmation was administered to two young men who had just been admitted to the candidateship for holy orders.

On the sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, October 1st, at a special ordination, held in St. James's First African Church in Baltimore, I admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons, Elie Worthington Stokes, a colored man, presented by the Rev. J. N. McJilton—His case involving some peculiarities, I consulted on it both the standing committee and a council of presbyters specially convened ; and acted finally under the advice of both. Mr. Stokes renders occasional services to the colored congregation of St. James's Church, with which he had long been connected as a lay-

reader ; under the superintendence and direction of the rector, the Rev. Mr. McJilton.

On Tuesday, October the 10th, I attended the examination of the Patapsco Female Institute ; as I did, again, on Wednesday, the 10th of April. On both occasions I was gratified with all I saw and learned concerning the condition and management of the Institute. Its arrangements, as well for the conduct of divine service and religious instruction, as for discipline, continue unchanged. On Tuesday, October the 17th, at the request of the rector, churchwardens and vestry of St. John's Church, Georgetown, I solemnly dedicated the church, which had been formerly consecrated, but lately greatly enlarged, repaired, and beautified ; using a service prepared for the occasion, and now set forth for use on similar occasions in this diocese. The very great improvement made in this church is highly creditable to the zeal and liberality of the congregation ; and equally so to the faithfulness and efficiency of its late rector, the Rev. Mr. Butler, under whose very successful ministry the congregation had grown so much as to require the enlargement, and had been so well instructed as to undertake it.

Nor is this enlargement of St. John's in Georgetown the only pleasing illustration of the growth of the Church, and the development of right feeling relative to its holy services, in the District of Columbia. St. John's in Washington, also, has recently undergone very extensive and costly repairs, to the great improvement of the edifice in every respect. It has not been my privilege yet to see its beautifully and commodiously arranged interior ; but from the accounts of it that I hear and see in all directions, I can have no doubt that it reflects much credit, as well upon the enterprising and indefatigable conductors of the work as upon the rector whose long and faithful services are rewarded by this evidence of the prosperity of his congregation.

At the same time, the new congregation of the Church of the Epiphany has been steadily increasing in numbers and strength,



and has almost completed its church edifice—an exertion that few would have thought within the bounds of possibility when the undertaking was commenced.

Not is this all—since the 1st of March last, the Rev. Mr. Gillis has been officiating under my appointment at the request of the majority of the parochial clergy in Washington, as a missionary in the Northern Liberties of that city; and has already been so successful as to have organised a new congregation (the fifth in the city) under articles of association by the name of the Church of the Ascension, and to have gathered together between one and two hundred worshippers, and upwards of twenty communicants.

These are indeed cheering indications of a healthy condition of the Church in the District; a continuation, you will remember, of its state and prospects as reported to the last Convention. Then, a large spiritual increase and ingathering had taken place; now we see the results in numerical enlargement and temporal prosperity.

At the dedication of St. John's, Georgetown, I also held a special ordination, and admitted the Rev. Philip Berry, deacon, to the Holy Order of the Priesthood; the Rev. Mr. Butler presenting him, and the Rev. Messrs. Bean, Gassaway, Steele and Stringfellow, with the Rev. Mr. Lounsberry of the Diocese of Virginia, joining in the imposition of hands.

Thursday, October the 6th, at the request of the rector, Churchwardens and Vestry of St. John's Church, Hagerstown, I dedicated that church under circumstances similar to those of St. John's in Georgetown. Very great improvement has been made in the church, and, in particular, the chancel for spaciousness, commodiousness and tasteful arrangement of its beautiful communion table, pulpit and lectern, is in my judgment among the best I have ever seen. Let me not be misunderstood, in thus commending it. I well know of how little moment matters of taste and convenience in the material edifice and its appurtenances are, in comparison with the weightier matters of faith and holi-

ness. But where the latter are not left unattended to, surely it is but a bounden duty to superadd the lesser things pertaining to adornment and fitness and old time-honored usage! To *substitute* punctilious nicety in robings and furniture and architectural proprieties for the Gospel in its fulness and the Law in its heart searching power, were madness; but the Law is not less stringent, the Gospel not less powerful and full of comfort, because proclaimed in a church built, furnished and adorned according to the strictest principles of ecclesiastical taste and primitive antiquity; and why should we forego those advantages, when they may be conjoined with such as we already have? The folly and the sin is in rating them above their due; and that is done equally by superstitious dread as by superstitious regard. It is because I feel sure that there is no tendency among us to swear by the gold of the temple that I feel safe in urging, on all due occasions, more attention to the externals of religious worship—to those things which distinguish the house of God and the service of God from all other places and occasions of assemblage.

- On Saturday, October 26th, I consecrated the neat brick edifice constructed in the new parish of St. Paul, Frederick county, by the name of St. Paul's Church; and on the same occasion administered confirmation to 7 persons.

On Sunday, the twentieth after Trinity, October 29th, I confirmed eighteen persons in St. Mark's parish church, Frederick county, and on Monday the 30th, three in the yet unfinished edifice known by the name of St. Luke's Church, Pleasant Valley. Here is another of the instances in which a very few individuals, secluded from opportunity of enjoying the privileges of the Church, are doing all in their power to secure them, but cannot hope to succeed without the help of more favored brethren. A very small amount of money, contributed for the completion of this little church, would relieve from great perplexities a most deserving handful of pious persons, who are in danger of seeing

their hopes of an ingrafting of the Church among them forever blighted, if much longer left to struggle by themselves.

On Tuesday, October 31st, I consecrated by the name of the Church of the Holy Trinity, the small edifice, formerly a chapel of ease of St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county, of the recovery of which, after disuse and dilapidation, mention was made in my last address. The parish, since its creation by the Convention, has thriven well under its zealous rector, and as now held by him in conjunction with Westminster, the county town, is at once a most interesting and a promising field of labor. At the consecration of the Church (which has been very thoroughly repaired and neatly fitted up at a comparatively small expenditure) I confirmed one individual. The next day, the Feast of All Saints, in the Union Meeting House at Lisbon, Anne Arundel county, I preached, baptised a child, and administered the Lord's Supper; and on Thursday, November 2d, in St. Bartholomew's Church, Montgomery county, preached and administered the Communion.

On Sunday, the twenty-first after Trinity, November 5th, at the request of the Vestry of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, I instituted the Rev. Thomas Atkinson, who had been with great unanimity chosen to succeed the Bishop of Rhode Island, into the Rectorship of the Church; reading the service and preaching on the occasion. In the afternoon of the same day, in St. James's First African Church, Baltimore, I administered confirmation to nine colored persons. The service was peculiarly interesting, as the candidates were all to sail the next day for our colony at Cape Palmas, and were presented, after long and thorough training, by their late owner and munificent liberator, the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, of Charles county; being such, among thirty of his freed servants whom he was sending to Africa, as he deemed fit recipients of the blessing of the Church before the commencement of their enterprise.

On Saturday, November the 28th, I began a visitation to the lower counties of the Eastern Shore, in which St. Paul's and Chester parishes, Kent county; St. Luke's, St. Paul's, and Christ Church parishes, Queen Anne county; St. Michael's and St. Peter's parishes, Talbot county; Great Choptank, Dorchester and East Newmarket parishes, Dorchester county; Spring Hill, Stepney, and Somerset parishes, Somerset county; Coventry parish, Somerset and Worcester counties; and All Hallows and Worcester parishes, Worcester county, were included.

In St. Paul's parish, Kent county, I consecrated the parish church, which, although an old edifice, had never been consecrated, and had recently been rebuilt in the interior, and fitted up with a completeness and beauty surpassed by no country church in the diocese. In Christ Church parish, Kent Island, also, I consecrated, by the name of St. Mark's Chapel, an edifice which, though of small dimensions and cheap materials, is as signal a monument of the triumph of zeal and perseverance over difficulties, as the annals of the diocese probably afford. Its remoteness from the parish church, and the circumstances of the congregation, made it needful, and I am glad to learn that the indefatigable rector contemplates the addition of another chapel at the equally remote opposite extremity of the parish.

In this visitation I confirmed in St. Paul's Church, Kent county, twelve persons, one being of Chester parish; in St. Mark's Chapel, Christ Church parish, Queen Anne county, 2; in St. Peter's parish church, Whitemarsh, 4; in Christ Church, Easton, in the same parish, 5; in St. Michael's parish church, 2; in Christ Church, Cambridge, Great Choptank parish, 6; in Dorchester parish church, Church Creek, 2; in Spring Hill parish, at the chapel in Salisbury, 4; at the parish church, 30; in the same parish, at a private house 1, at another private house 1, both being dangerously ill, one since dead; in Coventry parish, in the chapel at Dividing Creek 1; in the parish church,

Rehoboth, 4; in Stepney parish, at St. Mary's Church, Tyas-kin, 6.

On the fourth Sunday in Advent, December 23d, I held the stated Advent ordination in St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, and admitted to the holy order of Priests, the Rev. John Croisdale and the Rev. Edward J. Stearns, deacons; the candidates being presented by the Rev. Mr. Atkinson, who, with the Rev. Mr. Hoffman, assisted in the imposition of hands. I preached on the occasion.

The next day, the Feast of the Nativity, I officiated in St. Stephen's Church, on occasion of its being opened for public worship. It was not consecrated, because I had set to myself a rule in no case again to consecrate a church to Almighty God on which any remainder of debt should be due, so as to affect the clearness and permanency of the title; and on St. Stephen's Church there remained a few hundred dollars yet unpaid. Notice of this being publicly given, the collection at the offertory was \$127; and the generous gifts of a few noblehearted individuals rapidly reduced the debt, although there is yet a small remainder to be provided for, before the church can be consecrated. The seats, it should be observed, in this church are free; the rector has as yet received nothing for his most unwearied labors; and the expenses of the congregation are borne altogether by the offerings at the altar.

On Friday, December 29th, at seven o'clock, I said Morning Prayer in St. Stephen's Church, that being the first occasion of the Daily Morning Prayer which has been unintermittingly kept up there ever since.

On Friday, the Feast of the Presentation of CHRIST in the Temple, I addressed a Pastoral Letter to the clergy and laity of the diocese, recommending a work on the question, What is the Church? which I judged seasonable and wholesome, and adopted as my own instruction to the people of my diocese, in conformity with canon 27th of 1832. Copies of the Pastoral Letter alone,

reprinted in a cheap form for distribution, can be had, without charge, by those who may desire to circulate it, on application to Mr. Brunner, in Charles street.

In all the month of February, I addressed, as I had leisure and opportunity, to the several rectors of parishes and registers of vestries, copies of a Pastoral Letter committing to them sundry heads of inquiry concerning their respective parishes, to which answers will be expected to be handed in when called for, in the course of this morning's proceedings. The 26th canon of 1832 provides for this mode of fulfilling the duty, so peculiarly that of the *bishop* or *overseer*, of making myself thoroughly acquainted with the state and circumstances of every part of my diocese. It has been customary in the diocese, having been practised, with much more stringency and particularity in the committed heads of inquiry than I have chosen to adopt, by the first two bishops. With regard to all those parishes of which no canonical visitation has been made within the year, the law is positive, binding all under canonical obedience to compliance. With regard to those which have been visited, I trust, as stated in the letter prefixed to the committed "heads," that my brethren of the clergy and the vestries of the parishes will cheerfully render their bishop an assistance in the discharge of his duty, of which they must perceive his need, and must perceive also that the spirit of the law of which the letter *binds* others, extends to them.

On Sexagesima Sunday, February the 11th, I officiated in a new church edifice, in Baltimore, east of Harford Run, at present known as Cranmer Chapel, on occasion of its first opening for public worship. Plain and unpretending, but neat and commodious, it is another instance of the extension of the services of the Church without price to those who find, or think they find, no welcome elsewhere. In a very great degree, the erection of this church is owing to the energy and liberality of one gentleman, who himself assumed the responsibility of its cost—a responsibility from which he has but just been released by the com-

pletion of the subscription to meet the debt. Thus freed from debt, the building was to have been consecrated as yesterday, but for a failure in the previous arrangements with the vestry. It will, I trust, be, very shortly, the *sixth* consecrated place of worship belonging to us in this city.

On the second Sunday in Lent, March 3d, I held the stated ordination in St. Ann's Church, Annapolis, and there admitted the Rev. William F. Brand, deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests; the Rev. Dr. Humphreys presenting the candidate, and with the Rev. Messrs. Winslow, Lyman, and Williams uniting in the imposition of hands. In the afternoon, in the same Church, I administered confirmation to 42 persons. I preached on both occasions.

On Tuesday, March 12th, and Wednesday the 13th, I attended meetings of committees of the Board of Missions and of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, convened at Burlington; N. J.

On the sixth Sunday in Lent, March 31st, in St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore, I preached, and confirmed 15 persons.

On Easter Day, April the 7th, in Trinity Church, Carroll county, I preached, confirmed two persons, and administered the Holy Eucharist. In the afternoon, I preached again.

On Tuesday in Easter week, April 9th, in the chapel of the State Penitentiary, I administered confirmation to 13 convicts, who had previously been thoroughly prepared by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, in a long course of personal instruction. All the prisoners with a select company of persons of both sexes from without, were present at the religious services on this occasion. Much solemnity prevailed, and I have every reason to believe that the best effects are to be anticipated from this rather unusual administration.

On Saturday, April 20th, I began a visitation to part of Baltimore county, and Harford, Cecil, Kent, and part of Queen Anne counties; in which St. James's parish, Baltimore county; St. John's parish, Baltimore and Harford counties; St. George's and

St. John's parishes, Harford county ; St. Mary Anne's, St. Augustine's, and St. Stephen's parishes, Cecil county ; Shrewsbury, Chester and St. Paul's parishes, Kent county, and St. Luke's parish, Queen Anne county, were embraced.

I confirmed in St. James's parish, Baltimore county, at the parish Church, 3 ; in Trinity Church, Long Green, 1 ; in St. John's parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, at Christ Church, Rock Spring, 14 on one occasion, and two more on the following day ; in St. John's Church, Havre de Grace, 7 ; in St. Mary's Church, North East, 4 ; in Trinity Church, Elkton, 11 on one occasion, and two more on the next day ; in St. Augustine's Church, 4 ; in St. Stephen's parish church, Cecil county, 7, one being of St. Augustine's parish ; in Shrewsbury parish, in the chapel at Massey's Cross Roads, 11 ; in a private house at Georgetown, one, a sick person, and at the parish Church, 7 ; and in St. Luke's Church, Church Hill, 2.

At Chestertown, at the request of the Trustees of Washington College, I took part in the solemnities at the laying of the corner stone of the new building about to be erected in place of the edifice some years since consumed by fire, and offered up the prayer with which they were concluded.

On Sunday the fifth after Easter, May the 12th, in St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, I preached and administered confirmation to 13 persons.

On the Sunday after Ascension, in the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, I preached and confirmed 13 persons.

Last Sunday, being Whitsunday, on occasion of the anniversary meeting of the Sunday Schools in Baltimore, in Christ Church, I said Evening Prayers, the Rev. Mr. Atkinson reading the Lessons. The report was read by the Rev. Mr. Peck ; the Rev. Mr. Miller preached, and I made a brief address to the scholars and teachers.

The candidates for orders admitted in the last year have been *nine*, viz : Nathaniel Augustus Hewitt, by letter dimissory from



the Bishop of Connecticut; James Kip Anderson; Christopher B. Wyatt; Joseph J. Nicolson; Arthur J. G. Lalanne; Joseph P. Jenks; Thomas R. Bailey Trader; Levin White Trader; and Theodore Philip Barber. Daniel Henshaw has been transferred by letters dimissory to his father, the Bishop of Rhode Island.

D. Francis Sprigg and Pere Wilmer, sons of parents in this diocese, have become candidates for orders in the Diocese of Virginia.

The present number of candidates for Holy Orders is *nineteen*, viz: John H. Bosley; Charles Tucker; Dwight Edwards Lyman; Francis Asbury Baker; Richard Clarence Hall; Meyer Lewin; James Cole Tracy; Cyrus Waters; Samuel Ridout, M. D.; Hanson T. Wilcoxon; Edward J. Rutter, M. D.; James Kip Anderson; Christopher B. Wyatt; Joseph J. Nicolson; Arthur J. G. Lalanne; Joseph P. Jenks; Levin White Trader; Thomas R. Bailey Trader; and Theodore Philip Barber. Of these, Messrs. Tucker, Lyman, Baker, Lewin, Ridout, Anderson, and Nicolson, have been licensed as lay readers.

Licenses as lay-readers have also been granted to the following communicants in good standing; viz: William T. Staplefort, Alexander H. Lawrence, Joseph N. Gordon, John Nealy, John Scott, M. D. and Edward F. Green—in all, *six*.

Of the candidates for orders, Messrs. Hall, Wyatt, and T. R. B. Trader, are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary. Messrs. Ridout and Waters are in the Theological Seminary of Virginia. Messrs. Lyman, Anderson, and Lalanne are instructors in St. James's College.

I have received notice during the year, from the Bishop of Illinois, of the suspension of Timothy Minor and Erastus D'Wolf, presbyters; from the Bishop of Ohio, of the displacement from the ministry of Almon Barnes, presbyter; and from the Bishop of Aberdeen, in Scotland, through the presiding Bishop, of the excommunication of Sir William Dunbar, baronet, presbyter.

Beside the removal and additions already reported, the changes in the clergy of the diocese have been as follows :

The Rev. Henry Aisquith has accepted the rectorship of Elliott Chapel, Patuxent Forge, in addition to that of Severn Church ; the Rev. Enoch Bayley, though he still retains his connexion with East Newmarket Parish, Dorchester county, has removed to Seaford, in Delaware, where he has charge of a school ; the Rev. D. Hillhouse Buel has been chosen rector of the parish of the Holy Trinity, Carrol county, and is also officiating in Westminster ; the Rev. Samuel G. Callahan has resigned the assistant ministership in Spring Hill Parish, and accepted the rectorship of Sherwood Church, Baltimore county ; the Rev. John H. Chew has been chosen assistant minister of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county ; the Rev. Henry Crosdale is officiating, by appointment of the ecclesiastical authority, as missionary in Hungary Neck, on the confines of Stepney and Somerset parishes, in Somerset county ; the Rev. Levin I. Gilliss has resigned the charge of Prince George and St. Bartholomew's parishes, Montgomery county, and is officiating by appointment of the ecclesiastical authority, as a missionary in the Northern Liberties of the city of Washington ; the Rev. John F. Hoff has been chosen rector of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county ; the Rev. John W. Hoffman has resigned the rectorship of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore ; the Rev. Orlando Hutton has resigned the rectorship of St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county, and accepted that of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county ; the Rev. Clement F. Jones has resigned the rectorship of St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne's county ; the Rev. John N. McJilton has accepted the rectorship of St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore ; the Rev. Joshua Morsell has ceased to officiate in Frederick, and accepted the rectorship of St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county ; the Rev. Richard H. Phillips has been appointed assistant minister of Zion Parish, Frederick county ; the Rev. Robert Piggott has resigned the charge of the

The following clergymen, not present at the calling of the roll this morning, answered to their names this afternoon :

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| Rev. Wm. Hawley,  | Rev. Joshua Peterkin, |
| “ Alfred Holmead, | “ K. J. Stewart,      |
| “ H. V. D. Johns, | “ Rev. Lemuel Wilmer. |
| “ J. N. McJilton, |                       |

The following lay delegates presented their testimonials, and signed the Declaration :

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| B. S. Hodges, | J. G. Chapman,  |
| W. C. Tyler,  | John Lowry,     |
| E. J. Hall,   | Thomas Duckett, |
| R. H. Owen,   |                 |

The report of the Treasurer to the Committee of Missions, with accompanying vouchers, was presented by the chair, and on motion was referred, for audit, to the following committee: Rev. Mr. Waters, Thomas Duckett, Esq., B. Harrison, Esq.

The Secretary made the following report :

The 5th canon makes it the duty of the Secretary to report to the Convention the names of the following clergymen, as being absent from the Conventions of 1842 and 1843 :

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| Rev. Walter D. Addison, | Rev. Richard Mitchell, |
| Rev. James Abercrombie, | Rev. Robert Prout.     |

Respectfully submitted,

H. COLBURN, *Secretary.*

The following resolution was offered, and, on motion, laid on the table :

*Resolved*, That Severn Church be released from the payment of the amount due to the Convention fund up to the present year.

A circular received by the Secretary, from the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane, D. D., L. L. D., Chairman of the Committee of the Board of Missions, on “The Indian Mission,” was read by the Chair ; and, on motion, was referred to a committee of three.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Mr. Williams, Rev. Mr. Morsell, and Dr. Hanson Penn, said Committee.

The Committee on the rights of clergymen to seats in the Convention, reported the following as possessing the requisite qualifications:

**Rev. James Abercrombie,**

“ W. D. Addison,  
 “ Henry Aisquith,  
 “ Charles C. Austin,  
 “ Henry H. Bean,  
 “ Philip Berry,  
 “ Thomas Billopp,  
 “ Henry Brown,  
 “ James A. Buck,  
 “ Samuel Buel,  
 “ D. Hilhouse Buel,  
 “ Samuel G. Callahan,  
 “ John Claxton,  
 “ John Crodale,  
 “ Thomas B. Flower,  
 “ Matthias L. Forbes,  
 “ John W. French,  
 “ Levin I. Gilliss,  
 “ Robert L. Goldsborough,  
 “ Matthias Harris,  
 “ Wm. A. Harris,  
 “ Hugh T. Harrison,  
 “ William Hawley,  
 “ Alfred Holmead,  
 “ Hector Humphreys, D. D.  
 “ L. H. Johns,  
 “ H. V. D. Johns,  
 “ Clement F. Jones,  
 “ Norris M. Jones,  
 “ John R. Keech,

**Rev. John H. Kehler,**

“ Henry S. Keppler,  
 “ Samuel C. Kerr,  
 “ Theodore B. Lyman,  
 “ George L. Mackenheimer,  
 “ Alexander M. Marbury,  
 “ Henry M. Mason, D. D.  
 “ John N. McJilton,  
 “ Harvey Stanley,  
 “ James A. McKenney,  
 “ John Owen,  
 “ Francis Peck,  
 “ Joshua Peterkin,  
 “ William Pinkney,  
 “ Robert Prout,  
 “ John P. Robins,  
 “ Joseph Spencer, D. D.  
 “ Kensey Johns Stewart,  
 “ Horace Stringfellow,  
 “ Joseph Trapnell,  
 “ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.  
 “ Russel Trevett,  
 “ Edwin M. Van Deusen,  
 “ Richard H. Waters,  
 “ John Wiley,  
 “ Henry Williams,  
 “ Lemuel Wilmer,  
 “ George F. Worthington,  
 “ Thomas James Wyatt,  
 “ William E. Wyatt, D. D.

Rev. Joshua Morsell,

“ William F. Brand,

“ John H. Chew,

“ Stephen G. Gassaway,

“ George Armistead Leakin,

“ John M. Todd,

“ John F. Hoff,

“ Samuel R. Gordon,

“ Thomas Atkinson,

Rev. Edward J. Stearns,

“ Adolph Frost,

“ John B. Kerfoot,

“ Henry Crosdale,

“ Orlando Hutton,

“ S. W. Crampton,

“ Richard H. Phillips,

“ Fitch W. Taylor,

“ R. W. Goldsborough.

The Committee also reported that five clergymen, viz: the Rev. Harvey Stanley, Rev. Thomas James Wyatt, Rev. John F. Hoff, Rev. Orlando Hutton, and Rev. S. W. Crampton, not having fully made out titles to seats in accordance with the canon, their right to seats must be subject to the decision of the Convention.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, That the above named gentlemen be admitted to seats in the Convention.

On the statement of the Chair, that the Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough had for the year past, been performing missionary duty under the appointment of the Bishop, it was,

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Rev. R. W. Goldsborough be admitted to a seat in the Convention.

*Resolved*, That clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who may be present on this occasion, and are not members of this body, be invited to take seats as honorary members of this Convention.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to revise the canon on the rights of clergymen to seats in the Convention.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen said committee: Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Rev. Mr. Stringfellow, S. I. Donaldson, Esq.

The alterations in the Prayer Book and Constitution, proposed by the last General Convention (as published in the Journal

of General Convention of 1841, page 173,) were read by the chair for the information of the Convention.

No action was taken thereon.

The Committee on new Parishes and Churches presented the following report :

The Committee appointed to consider applications for the division of Parishes and admission of new Congregations into union with this Convention, respectfully report, that they have had several applications before them, in which the requisitions of the laws of the State and canons of the Church have been complied with, and they therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution and act :

*Resolved*, That "St. Timothy's Church," Baltimore county, "St. Stephen's Church," Baltimore, and "Cranmer Chapel," Baltimore, be received into union with this Convention.

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An act to establish the Parish of the Ascension, Carroll county.

*Be it enacted*, That the territory comprised within the following description, that is to say, beginning at the north-east corner of Carroll county, and following the Pennsylvania line until it strikes the Monocacy, thence down that line, and following the dividing lines of Frederick and Carroll counties to the old dividing line of Frederick and Baltimore counties, thence northwardly up said old dividing line to the Nicodemus road, thence running down said road to the dividing line of Baltimore and Carroll counties, and thence up said line to the place of beginning,—be, and the same hereby is made a separate parish—to be known as "The Parish of the Ascension, Carroll county," and entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to other parishes by the vestry law of the State of Maryland, and by the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese.

The resolution and act were severally put to vote and adopted.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair, to reduce into system, and amend as far as may be necessary, the canons regulating the division of parishes in the diocese and admission of separate congregations and churches into union with this Convention, and that said committee report to the next annual Convention.

The Committee on the Election of Lay Delegates reported, that the following gentlemen have the certificates required to entitle them to seats in this Convention :

Hon. E. F. Chambers, Chester Parish, Kent county.

Hugh Davey Evans, }  
Samuel I. Donaldson, } St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.

Harrison B. Pigman, Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.

Dr. James Stewart, Somerset Parish, Somerset county.

George Dent, William and Mary Parish, Charles county.

Wm. Geo. Krebs, St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.

Samuel Cheston, St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.

James E. Keech, Trinity Parish, Charles county.

John R. Duvall, Church of the Ascension, Baltimore.

Charles Stevens, Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne's county.

John S. Mills, Christ Church Parish, Calvert county.

James Carroll, }  
John S. Gittings, } Christ Church, Baltimore.

Richard Holmes, St. Mark's Church, Prince George's county.

James B. Lake, Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county.

Joshua C. Johnston, Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties.

Thomas Schnebly, }  
Dr. Frederick Dorsey, } St. John's Parish, Washington county.

Dr. Richard Dorsey, All Saints' Parish, Frederick county.

John Colhoon, Trinity Parish, Baltimore and Carroll counties.

Richard Thomas, William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county.

Richard C. Holliday, Trinity Church, Cecil county.

Benjamin W. Harris, St. Augustine's Parish, Cecil county.

Charles E. Mix, St. John's Parish, Georgetown.

John C. Gott, St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county.

B. Harrison, St. John's Church, Howard District.

Dr. Thomas C. Risteau, St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.

Meyer Lewin, Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.

Hon. James Thomas, King and Queen's Parish, St. Mary's county.

Lemuel Bourke, St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.

John M. Comegys, Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.

Richard J. Coxe, Trinity Church, city of Washington.

Thomas J. Marshall, Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties.

George A. Hughes, Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.

A. S. Wilson, St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.  
 Dr. Hanson Penn, St. Matthew's Church, Prince George's county.  
 Hammond Stewart, All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.  
 Thomas J. Dorsett, All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Chapman Billingsley, St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.  
 Dr. Allen Thomas, Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 Thomas Duckett, Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's county.  
 Richard H. Owen, St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county.  
 Wm. C. Tyler, Severn Church, Anne Arundel county.  
 Benjamin T. Hodges, Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.  
 Elisha I. Hall, St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county.  
 John G. Chapman, Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.  
 John Lowry, St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.  
 James F. Browne, St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.  
 Alexander C. Magruder, St. Ann's Parish, Anne Arundel county.  
 P. T. Berry, Christ Church, Georgetown.  
 J. Mason Campbell, St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore.  
 William Gould, St. Luke's, Queen Anne county.  
 Charles Lowndes, St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.  
 Archibald Henderson, Washington Parish, Washington city.  
 B. F. Hemaley, St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.  
 Joseph J. Stewart, Church of the Redemption, Baltimore city.  
 John E. Hayward, All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county.  
 Wm. Carmichael, St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county.  
 Benjamin Mullikin, Ellicott's Chapel, Anne Arundel county.  
 John Glenn, St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county.  
 H. Colburn, Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.  
 Gilbert Rodman, Epiphany Parish, Washington city.  
 W. T. Staplefort, Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.  
 William Michael, Christ Church, Harford county.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer to the committee of Missions, reported that they had performed that duty, and that the accounts had been found correct.

The report was, on motion, accepted.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.



THURSDAY MORNING, *May 30th*, 1844.

The Convention met at 9 o'clock.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday afternoon's proceedings were read and approved.

The following lay delegates, not present yesterday, appeared this morning, signed the Declaration, and took their seats.

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| Geo. W. Richardson,    | John E. Hayward,   |
| James F. Brown,        | Wm. Carmichael,    |
| Alexander C. Magruder, | Benjamin Mullikin, |
| P. T. Berry,           | John Glenn,        |
| J. Mason Campbell,     | H. Colburn,        |
| Wm. Gould,             | Gilbert Rodman,    |
| Charles Lowndes,       | Wm. T. Staplefort, |
| Archibald Henderson,   | John S. Gittings,  |
| B. F. Hemsley,         | Wm. Michael.       |
| Jos. J. Stewart,       |                    |

The Committee on new Parishes and Churches, made an additional report, recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the "Church of the Redemption," Baltimore, be, and is hereby admitted into union with this Convention.

The question having been put, the resolution was adopted.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen the Committee, under the resolution of yesterday, "to reduce into system, and amend as far as may be necessary, the canons regulating the admission of Parishes," &c. viz :

S. I. Donaldson, H. D. Evans, and J. Mason Campbell, Esqrs.

The Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund submitted the annual report of the Board, which, on motion, was read and accepted. (See Appendix.)

The Committee on Accounts then made their report as follows:

The Committee on Accounts beg leave to report, that they have examined the Treasurer's accounts, and find them correct.

The report was, on motion, accepted.

The Chair read the following communication from Richard H. Owen, Esq., resigning the office of Treasurer of the Convention :

Having changed my residence from the city to the county, it becomes expedient that I should resign the office of Treasurer of the Convention Fund,—and now ask leave briefly to express my grateful remembrance of the trust reposed in me for a series of years, and to add my ardent prayers for the peace and onward march of the Church.

R. H. OWEN, *Treasurer.*

*Baltimore, May 29th, 1844.*

On motion, the resignation was accepted.

On motion, it was unanimously *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to R. H. Owen, Esq. for his long and faithful services as Treasurer.

The Committee to whom was referred the communication from the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane, D.D., L.L.D., presented the following report.

*Report of the Committee on Indian Missions :*

The Committee to whom was referred the circular from the Committee of the Board of Missions in relation to the scheme of Indian Missions, have taken the subject into consideration, and ask the adoption of the following resolutions :

*Resolved*, That this Convention recognizes the especial claims of the Indian Mission upon the charities of the Church.

*Resolved*, That this Convention approves the scheme presented in said circulars, and cordially recommends it to the support of the Diocese of Maryland.

H. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

The report was accepted, and the resolutions adopted.

The Committee on new Parishes and Churches made an additional report, recommending the adoption of

An Act to erect a new parish in the city of Washington, D. C. out of parts of the two parishes of St. John's and Trinity.

On motion, the said act was referred to the Rev. Mr. Hawley and the Rev. Mr. French, as a committee for the further and final adjustment of the metes and bounds therein specified.

On motion, the delegate from the Epiphany Parish was admitted to a seat in the Convention.

A letter from Geo. A. Hughes, Esq. delegate from Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore, resigning his seat in the Convention on account of indisposition, was received and accepted, whereupon

The register of Mount Calvary Church having furnished the necessary certificate of the election of Hervey Colburn as delegate from said Church,

On motion, he was admitted to a seat in the Convention.

The order of the day—the election of the Standing Committee—was then called for, and the following gentlemen nominated:

Rev. Dr. Wyatt,

“ Levin J. Gilliss,

“ William Hawley,

“ Dr. Spencer,

Rev. J. A. McKenney,

“ C. F. Jones,

“ Thomas Billopp.

On motion, the balloting was postponed for half an hour, to give the members an opportunity of conferring together.

The committee appointed to take into consideration the resolution in regard to superannuated clergymen, made the following report, which was accepted, and the accompanying resolutions being severally put, were adopted.

The committee to which was referred the resolution for the creation of a fund for the benefit of disabled and superannuated clergymen, beg leave to report, that they have taken the subject into serious consideration, and recommend the adoption of the following, as a substitute for said resolution:

*Resolved*, That there shall be annually, on Easter day, a collection made in each church of this diocese, for the benefit of the disabled and superannuated clergy thereof, unless said collection would interfere with any pre-existing arrangements in any church or churches, in which case the said collection shall be made therein as soon afterwards as may be convenient.

*Resolved*, That there shall be annually five trustees chosen by ballot by this Convention, of whom the Bishop of the diocese shall ex-officio be the president, —into whose hands shall be paid the collections above mentioned, to constitute a fund for the benefit of the disabled and superannuated clergy of this diocese.

*Resolved*, That the said trustees be empowered to frame such rules as they shall deem just and equitable for the disposition and distribution of said fund; which rules shall be first submitted to this Convention for its approval.

*Resolved*, That the said trustees be empowered to appoint a treasurer, and to fill any vacancies which may occur in their body, between the meetings of the annual Conventions of this diocese.

*Resolved*, That the said trustees be empowered to obtain an act of incorporation from the State legislature as soon as, in their opinion, it is deemed expedient.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NORRIS M. JONES, *Chairman*.

RICHARD H. WATERS,

JAMES B. LAKE.

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the chair, to recommend to the Convention five persons for trustees of the fund for superannuated clergymen.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Norris M. Jones, R. S. Coxe, Esq. S. I. Donaldson, Esq.

At 11 o'clock, the house took up the order of the day—the election of the Standing Committee. An additional nomination was made, of the

Rev. H. S. Keppler,

“ H. V. D. Johns,

“ Henry Brown,

“ Thomas Atkinson,

Rev. Dr. Humphreys,

“ H. Stringfellow,

“ Dr. Mason.

The Rev. Mr. Callahan and General Chapman were appointed tellers.

The roll was then called, when 71 of the clergy, and 60 of the laity deposited their ballots.

The tellers having retired,—on motion, the house proceeded to the election of delegates to the General Convention.

The following gentlemen were nominated:

Rev. Dr. Wyatt,

Rev. Mr. Atkinson,

Rev. Dr. Spencer,

Rev. Dr. Mason,

S. I. Donaldson, Esq.

Alex. C. Magruder, Esq.

Hon. E. F. Chambers,  
 Dr. James Stewart,  
 Rev. H. V. D. Johns,  
 “ Mr. Stringfellow,  
 “ Mr. Brown,  
 “ Mr. Robins,

R. S. Coxe, Esq.  
 Gen. Chapman,  
 Hon. Judge Eccleston,  
 Wm. Carmichael, Esq.  
 Rev. Mr. Pinkney,  
 H. D. Evans, Esq.

Rev. Mr. Pinkney and H. D. Evans, Esq., declined the nomination.

The Rev. Mr. French and Dr. Penn were appointed tellers.

The roll was called, when 72 of the clergy and 59 of the laity deposited their ballots.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, *May 30, 1844.*

The Convention re-assembled at 4 o'clock.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the morning's proceedings read and approved.

The tellers appointed to receive and count the ballots for the Standing Committee, reported the whole number of votes taken to be 131, necessary to a choice 66, and that the

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| REV. W. E. WYATT, D. D. | } <i>Are elected<br/>for the<br/>Western Shore.</i> |
| “ LEVIN I. GILLISS,     |                                                     |
| “ WM. HAWLEY,           |                                                     |
| “ THOMAS BILLOPP,       |                                                     |

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| REV. DR. SPENCER,   | } <i>For the<br/>Eastern Shore.</i> |
| “ JAS. A. MCKENNEY, |                                     |
| “ CLEMENT F. JONES, |                                     |

The tellers appointed to receive and count the ballots cast for delegates to the General Convention, reported the whole number of votes taken to be 131, necessary to a choice 66, and that the following gentlemen were duly elected:

Rev. Dr. Wyatt,  
 “ Dr. Spencer,  
 “ Dr. Mason,  
 “ Mr. Atkinson,

Hon. Ezekiel F. Chambers,  
 Alex. C. Magruder, Esq.  
 Samuel I. Donaldson, Esq.  
 Dr. James Stewart.

The committee to whom was referred the act to incorporate the “Epiphany Parish, Washington city,” made the following report, which was accepted, and the act agreed upon by them adopted.

*An act to erect a new parish in the city of Washington, D. C. out of parts of the two parishes of St. John's and Trinity.*

*Be it enacted,* That a new parish be established in the city of Washington, D. C. within the following metes and bounds, viz:—All that part of said city of Washington included between the middle of, “7th street west,” and the middle of “12th street west,”—extending north to “9th street north,” and south to the limits of the city, and also extending from the intersection of “G street north,” with “12th street west,” westwardly along the middle of “G street north,” to its intersection with “14th street west,” and thence along the middle of said 14th street, to its intersection with New York avenue, then along the middle of said New York avenue to its intersection with “12th street west,” then southward along said 12th street, to its intersection with “G street north.” Which parish so established shall be known as the “Epiphany Parish in the city of Washington,” and be entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to separate parishes by the vestry law of the State of Maryland, and by the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese.

The Rev. Dr. Humphreys being in the Chair, it was,

On motion, *Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to wait on the Bishop and request a copy of the sermon preached by him this morning for publication.

The Chair appointed the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, the Rev. Mr. Keech, and Alexander C. Magruder, Esq.

The following resolution was offered :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund have authority to invest a part of it in the purchase of a dwelling house for the Bishop, if they deem it expedient.

The following substitute was offered :

*Resolved*, That the Trustees of the Episcopal Fund be authorised to appoint an agent or agents to collect funds for the erection of a dwelling house for the Bishop.

FRIDAY MORNING, *May 31st*, 1844.

The Convention met at 9 o'clock.

The Litany was said by Rev. John W. Hoffman.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday afternoon's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, That it be the duty of the Treasurer of the Convention, to take charge of the book containing the accounts of the several Parishes with this Convention; and immediately after the adjournment of each Convention, to enter in the same to the credit of the respective parishes, the several sums of money which may have been paid to the committee on parochial contributions. And that it be further his duty previously to the meeting of every Convention, to balance the account in said book; and to shew distinctly of what items those balances consist; so that the Committee on parochial contributions may be provided with explicit information on the state of the account of every parish.

The following report was received:

The Committee appointed by the Convention to nominate five persons to the Convention, to be voted for as Trustees for the fund for disabled and superannuated clergymen of this Diocese, report that they nominate the Rev. Thos. Atkinson, the Rev. E. M. Van Deusen, John Glenn, Esq., Thomas S. Alexander, Esq., R. S. Coxe, Esq.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. M. JONES, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted, and the persons nominated unanimously elected.

The delegate from Trinity Church, Washington, D. C., offered a resolution, which was seconded, and upon motion, referred to the following committee:

R. S. Coxe, Esq., Hon. E. F. Chambers, Alexander C. Magruder, Esq.

The Committee on new parishes and congregations, made the following additional report:

The Committee beg leave to report, that they have had under consideration the petition of the Vestry of Severn Parish, Anne Arundel county, to have a parish laid off; and also the petition of sundry persons proposing to divide the Parish of Queen Anne's, Prince George's county, and to lay off a new parish; and in each case they find that the injunctions of the law, requiring the assent of a majority of the persons resident within the limits of the proposed parishes qualified to vote for vestrymen, have not been complied with.

The Committee therefore advise, that the petitioners shall take the necessary steps at a future day, to bring the matter more formally before the Convention, and propose the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions.

On motion, the resolution offered by the committee was divided, and the question being taken with relation to Severn Church separately, it was *Resolved*, That the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

It was then moved and seconded, that the report and resolution, as relating to the Parish of Queen Anne, Prince George's county, with the accompanying papers, be laid on the table.

The motion was carried.

The same committee made a further additional report, as follows:

The committee on the admission of new congregations, recommend the adoption of the following act:

*An act to amend the act of 1843, passed to establish the Parish of the Holy Trinity in Carroll and Baltimore counties.*

*Be it enacted*, That the "act to establish the Parish of the Holy Trinity in Carroll and Baltimore counties," be amended by inserting the words "up the Deer Park Road," immediately before the words, "across the north branch of the Patapsco."

The question being taken on the act, it was passed.

The committee to whom was referred the resolution from Trinity Church, Washington, D. C., made the following report, which was, on motion, adopted by the Convention:

WHEREAS, Edward Ingle, Esq. late of the city of Washington, D. C. in and by his last will and testament, bearing date the 24th day of September, in the



year of our Lord 1838, and duly proved and recorded in said county, did devise to the vestry of Trinity Church, in the District of Columbia, a certain mansion house and lot of ground and premises in said city of Washington, to take effect after the death of all his children and of a certain Mrs. Eliza A. Roberts therein named,—upon certain terms and conditions mentioned and prescribed in said last will and testament, among which terms and conditions is the following—“The said lot and improvements shall never be sold or otherwise disposed of by said vestry, for a longer period, at any one time, than ten years, without the approbation of the Convention of the diocese to which this parish may at the time belong, first had and obtained, with a certificate of the opinion of said Convention that such sale or other disposition for more than ten years, would, in its opinion, manifestly and permanently promote the interests of the parish,”—as by reference to said last will and testament may more fully appear: and whereas, it has been represented and made to appear to this Convention by the said vestry of Trinity Church, that a proposition has been made by some of the family of the said testator for the mutual renunciation by the parties of all right under said will, and for the consideration of three hundred dollars to be paid by said family; and whereas, this Convention having maturely considered the subject, is of opinion that such mutual renunciation would, under all the circumstances of the case, manifestly and permanently promote the interests of the said parish—be it therefore

*Resolved*, That such is the opinion of this Convention, and that the presiding officer and secretary of the same be, and they are authorised to give such certificate as is required in such case by said will, and to testify the approbation of this body to such conveyance as may be agreed upon by the parties for the purpose of carrying the said arrangement into execution.

The committee on new parishes and congregations, made an additional report on the petition from the vestry of Christ Church, Hagerstown:

The committee appointed to consider the applications of churches for admission into union with this Convention, respectfully report:

That they have considered the case of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Hagerstown,—that it is manifest to the committee that the proposal to incorporate it grew out of dissension in the parish, and that the object of the parties forming the new congregation, was to sit under the preaching of some gentleman with whose doctrines they could more entirely agree than with those of the present rector of St. John's.

A majority of the committee were of opinion that these are not legitimate grounds of separation in a parish, and therefore recommend the passage of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the persons applying for admission into this Convention, under the name of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Hagerstown, have leave to withdraw their application.

J. A. McKENNEY, *Chairman*.

The minority of the committee asked permission of the Convention to make a counter report; which request being granted, the report was read.

The undersigned, a minority of the committee appointed to receive and report upon the application of newly organised congregations for admission into union with this Convention, having maturely considered the documents laid before the committee in relation to the newly organised congregation of Christ Church, in the parish of St. John's, in the county of Washington, have been compelled to come to a different judgment from that expressed in the report of the majority, and beg leave very respectfully to submit to the Convention some of the grounds upon which they have formed their opinion.

Before, however, stating the reasons which have presented themselves to the minds of the undersigned upon the points of difference which subsist, we are desirous of bringing the mind of the Convention to a precise and distinct apprehension of those points, by stating preliminarily those in which there exists, we believe, an entire coincidence of opinion among the members of the committee.

The parties do not apply to this Convention for the erection of any new, or the division of any already subsisting parish. Their application is as a new and separate congregation, already organised, and actually in existence, to be admitted into connexion with this Convention. The act of Assembly of 1798 is therefore wholly inapplicable to the case,—but the act of 1802, so far as any statute is to operate upon the question, is that which is alone to be regarded. It is understood that the committee entertain the unanimous opinion, that the proceedings which have been laid before us, organising the new congregation, are strictly and substantially regular, and in precise conformity with the provisions of the 10th section of the act of 1802. Neither is there any difference of opinion among us upon another important point—we all concur in the judgment, that the requirements of the statute having been fully complied with, Christ Church congregation has, in point of fact as well as in contemplation of

law, become a new and distinct congregation, actually existing, and possessing all the civil rights of a corporate body:

These points being uncontroverted, our inquiries are now to be directed to the question, whether any and what provisions exist among the canons and fundamental laws of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland, which furnish a rule for the action of the Convention in the case which has arisen, and which confer upon or recognise as subsisting rights in parties thus circumstanced.

It was suggested before the committee, that the various acts of Assembly merely prescribe rules by which civil rights are to be acquired and regulated, but have no operation or influence of themselves in the decision, whether parties who have complied with these legal requisitions shall or shall not be adopted into union with the Convention. It is asserted, that whether or not a new congregation shall be received as a member of this Convention, is wholly independent of any civil law, but depends exclusively upon the canons of the Church, or in the absence of any canonical provision, upon the mere discretion of the body, which discretion is to be governed by considerations of expediency, according to the circumstances of each particular case.

In the general and abstract, the undersigned are not disposed to dissent from these doctrines, but we feel constrained to differ with our brethren of the majority in their application to the case under consideration. We entertain a very decided opinion that these parties have not only shewn a strict compliance with the general statute law of the land, but have clearly and distinctly brought themselves within the precise provisions of the law, which is prescribed for the government of this Convention as an ecclesiastical body. If such be the case, it is manifest that no question arises which is to be decided by any general discretion, or in which any considerations of expediency are to influence our judgment.

The 13th canon of this diocese in terms says: "Separate parishes may be formed agreeably to the act of assembly of 1798, commonly called the vestry act, and separate congregations under the clause of the act of 1802, for the incorporation of all denominations of Christians, which authorises a part of a congregation to separate from the rest, and prescribes the mode in which such congregation shall be organised."

In the judgment of the undersigned, this canon adopts as a rule of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland, the provision and language of the 10th section of the act of 1802, as fully, completely, and absolutely as if the same had been recited *ipsisimis verbis*. Under this canon, the Church of this diocese recognises as entitled to be considered a regular Episcopal congregation,

to be a component part of said Church, a congregation which shall be organised and created in conformity with the provision of the statute. It confers upon or recognises as entitled to ecclesiastical rights, those who under the act of assembly are already clothed with all the civil rights incident to a legally constituted corporation. If this view be correct, the right of the congregation to be admitted into all the privileges which belong to the constituent members of this Convention cannot be controverted.

While the undersigned are clearly of opinion that the views which have been already presented cannot admit of any serious doubt or controversy, they nevertheless think it proper to submit some views on the question, which, in the judgment of the majority, comprehends the entire case.

If it was now a point for the decision of the Convention, whether or not a division should occur in the already organised parish of St. John's, whether a portion of that congregation should separate from their brethren, and erect themselves into a new and distinct body?—The decision of such question might be influenced by a great variety of considerations, which it is now wholly unnecessary to notice—No such question now exists. In point of fact and in contemplation of law, that separation, be it for good or for evil, has already occurred,—that division actually exists—the separate congregation has been formed; and all this has been accomplished in literal and substantial conformity with the act of Assembly and with the canon of the Church. Over this part of the case this Convention has no jurisdiction. However it may lament what has been done, it is not in the power of the Convention to reverse or undo what is thus perfected. It cannot reunite those already separated—it cannot bring again into one the two distinct bodies which now exist.

The only question remaining, and that alone upon which the Convention has authority and power to decide, is whether this body will or will not receive into connexion with it—receive as a constituent part of itself, a congregation composed of members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, residing within our limits, professing our doctrines, conforming to our discipline, recognising our jurisdiction, professing allegiance to our authority, submitting to our canons and laws, and against whom no moral objection or impediment exists. Even discretion, when it is to furnish a rule of action, when in the absence of positive law it must be resorted to as a guide, is not an arbitrary, capricious discretion; it looks to the general good, it refers to the established principles of law, the dictates of a wise equity, to supply the foundation upon which it is to rest, and to enlighten the spirit by which it is to be governed.

The undersigned have been unable to perceive any substantial ground, upon which, if expediency alone is to be our guide, the wishes of Christ Church

congregation are to be disregarded. We are not aware of any similar case which can furnish a precedent to warrant this harsh procedure.

There being, therefore, no authority, express or implied, given by canon law for such refusal, and the laws of the State having been complied with, the minority of the committee can see no just ground on which to refuse to receive the application of Christ Church aforesaid. We cannot allow an undefined discretionary power, to operate as a bar to the reception of a congregation, which demands admission on the score of a full compliance with written law and established principle: For, if this should be granted, we hold that our civil and religious liberties would be prostrated at the mercy of the ever varying sentiments of an undefined legislative discretion; and that the provisions of the act of 1802, and the canon adopting it as a part of our own code, would be virtually annulled. We trust this principle will never be sanctioned by the action of the Church: as we foresee nothing but danger should it be allowed. It has hitherto been the glory of the Church, to which we are from principle and affection strongly attached, that it was a religious body governed by law, and not by undefined ecclesiastical authority: We are reluctant to part with this fundamental principle, as we firmly believe that, when it is abandoned, the peace and harmony, the welfare and prosperity, of the Protestant Episcopal Church will be seriously endangered.

H. V. D. JOHNS, } *Members of the Committee.*  
R. S. COXE, }

It was then moved that the report of the majority be adopted.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, *May 31*, 1844.

The Convention re-assembled at 4 o'clock.

The call of the roll was dispensed with, and the minutes of the morning's proceedings read and approved.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That the Convention should take a recess of an hour at 7 o'clock.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention do now proceed to elect a Treasurer to the Convention.

Wm. George Krebs, Esq., was nominated, and declared to be unanimously elected.

The hour appointed for the recess having arrived,  
On motion, the house adjourned.

The Convention re-assembled at 8 o'clock.

The minutes of the afternoon's proceedings were read and approved.

The house proceeded in the discussion of the resolution relative to the new congregation in Hagerstown.

The ayes and noes being called for were granted.

On calling the roll, there answered :

|                                      |   |   |      |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|------|
| In the affirmative, of the Clergy, - | - | - | 44   |
| “ “ “ Laity, -                       | - | - | 27   |
|                                      |   |   | — 71 |
| In the negative, of the Clergy, -    | - | - | 21   |
| “ “ “ Laity, -                       | - | - | 17   |
|                                      |   |   | — 38 |

**AYES—Clergy.**

Rt. Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham,  
Rev. James Abercrombie,  
“ Henry Aisquith,  
“ Philip Berry,  
“ Thomas Billopp,  
“ James A. Buck,  
“ Samuel Buel,  
“ D. H. Buel,  
“ S. G. Callahan,  
“ John Croedale,  
“ Levin I. Gilliss,  
“ R. L. Goldsborough,  
“ William A. Harris,  
“ H. T. Harrison,  
“ Hector Humphreys, D. D.  
“ Orlando Hutton,  
“ C. F. Jones,  
“ N. M. Jones,  
“ John R. Keech,  
“ John H. Kehler,

**AYES—Laity.**

Hon. E. F. Chambers,  
Samuel I. Donaldson,  
H. D. Evans,  
Hanson B. Pigman,  
James Stewart,  
George Dent,  
Thomas Schnebly,  
Richard Holmes,  
Joshua C. Johnson,  
John Colhoon,  
Richard Thomas,  
Benjamin W. Harris,  
John C. Gott,  
Meyer Lewin,  
J. M. Comegys,  
Robert S. Wilson,  
Hanson Penn,  
T. I. Dorsett,  
B. S. Hodges,  
W. C. Tyler,

**AYES—Clergy, (continued.)**

Rev. Alex. M. Marbury,  
 “ Henry M. Mason, D. D.  
 “ John N. McJilton,  
 “ John Owen,  
 “ William Pinkney,  
 “ K. J. Stewart,  
 “ Russell Trevett,  
 “ E. M. Van Deusen,  
 “ R. H. Waters,  
 “ John Wiley,  
 “ Henry Williams,  
 “ G. F. Worthington,  
 “ William E. Wyatt, D. D.  
 “ Thomas J. Wyatt,  
 “ William F. Brand,  
 “ John H. Chew,  
 “ John M. Todd,  
 “ Samuel R. Gordon,  
 “ Thomas Atkinson,  
 “ Adolph Frost,  
 “ John B. Kerf,  
 “ Henry Crosdale,  
 “ R. W. Goldsborough,  
 “ Harvey Stanley.—44.

**NOES—Clergy.**

Rev. H. H. Bean,  
 “ Henry Brown,  
 “ Thomas B. Flower,  
 “ John W. French,  
 “ Matthias Harris,  
 “ Alfred Holmead,  
 “ Leonard H. Johns,  
 “ Henry V. D. Johns,  
 “ Henry S. Keppler,  
 “ G. L. Mackenheimer,  
 “ Francis Peck,  
 “ Joshua Peterkin,  
 “ Robert Prout,

**AYES—Laity, (continued.)**

Thomas Duckett,  
 Alex. C. Magruder,  
 J. Mason Campbell,  
 Charles Lowndes,  
 B. F. Hemsley,  
 H. Colburn,  
 Gilbert Rodman—27.

**NOES—Laity.**

William Krebs,  
 Samuel Cheston,  
 James E. Keech,  
 John R. Duvall,  
 James Carroll,  
 Richard Dorsey,  
 Charles E. Mix,  
 R. S. Cox,  
 Thomas J. Marshall,  
 E. J. Hall,  
 J. G. Chapman,  
 John Lowry,  
 George W. Richardson,

**NOES—Clergy, (continued.)**

Rev. Horace Stringfellow,  
 “ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.  
 “ Lemuel Wilmer,  
 “ Stephen G. Gassaway,  
 “ George A. Leakin,  
 “ John F. Hoff,  
 “ S. W. Crampton,  
 “ Robert Piggott.—21.

**NOES—Laity, (continued.)**

James F. Browne,  
 P. T. Berry,  
 William Gould,  
 William Carmichael.—17.

So the resolution was carried.

On motion, the house adjourned, to meet at 8 o'clock on Saturday morning.

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**SATURDAY MORNING, June 1, 1844.**

The Convention met at 8 o'clock.

Morning prayer was said by the Rev. Matthias Harris, and the lessons read by the Rev. John Owen.

On motion, the call of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes of last night's proceedings were read and approved.

The memorial relative to the division of the Parish of Queen Anne, Prince George's county, laid upon the table yesterday morning, was called up and read, as follows:

To the honorable the Episcopal Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, the following communication from the Vestry of Queen Anne's Parish, of Prince George's county, is respectfully submitted. The vestrymen of said parish, whose names are hereunto annexed, take this mode (as they conceive to be their duty) to inform your honorable body, in whom alone, by law, resides the power to divide parishes, that on the 1st of January of the present year, it was unanimously resolved by the vestry of the parish, that the rector be requested to give notice from the pulpit, each Sunday, calling a meeting of the parishioners on Easter Monday, to take into consideration the necessity of a division of the parish—That in obedience to said resolution, due notice from week to week up to the time of meeting of the parishioners was regularly given by the rector, for at least six weeks—That accordingly, on the 8th of April, being Easter



Monday last, a meeting of the parishioners took place, by a majority of whom, being qualified voters, it was

*Resolved*, That the lay delegate of this parish to the next Convention be requested by this meeting to use all his influence before the said Convention to procure a division and separation of this parish, so as to constitute of said parish, two distinct parishes, leaving the division line of said parishes to be recommended to said Convention by the vestry elect.

That accordingly, at their subsequent meeting, May 13th, 1844, it was resolved by the vestry, (in obedience to the request of the parishioners,) that the line of separation be as follows, to wit: "to commence at Boyd's Mill, on the Patuxent river, and running a southerly course to the main road from Bladensburgh to Queen Anne, intersecting said road at Colonel Wooton's gate, adjoining James Mullikin's field—thence with said road to the Methodist meeting house, thence to Mitchel's blacksmith's shop, thence to John B. Mullikin's shop, thence to Lot's ford, thence to Bacon's shop, where the Anacostia road intersects with the said Bladensburgh road, and thence to the original boundary of Queen Anne's parish—so as by said line to bisect said parish, the southern portion, containing the parish church, to constitute one parish, and the northern portion, containing the chapel and rectory, to constitute the other—that at said meeting, the vestry further resolved, that the delegate be requested to suggest to the Convention, the propriety of designating the southern portion by the name of Queen Anne's Parish, and the northern by the name of the parish of the Holy Trinity." Notwithstanding by a resolution of the vestry, the register was directed to furnish the delegate with a copy of all the proceedings relative to the subject of division, it seemed to the vestry highly proper to certify the Convention in some form, (and this has been adopted,) that due notice of the time and object of the meeting for division of the parish was given prior to the decision of the question, which was fairly made in favor of division by a majority of those present qualified to vote. They recommend to the Convention the division line of the parish as above described. In testimony of the above facts, we hereunto subscribe our names.

All of which is respectfully submitted, &c.

ROBERT BOWIE,  
ROBERT C. BROOKE,  
R. O. BOWIE,  
GRAFTON W. TYLER,  
THOMAS DUCKETT,  
JAMES MULLIKIN.

When the mover of an act to divide said parish, moved yesterday morning, withdrew the same, and substituted the following preamble and act, which were passed:

**WHEREAS**, an application has been made to divide the Parish of Queen Anne's, Prince George's county, sustained by the votes of a majority of parishioners entitled to vote, and of the vestry: Therefore,

*Be it enacted*, That Queen Anne's Parish be, and the same is hereby divided and separated into two distinct parishes, of which the following shall be the metes and boundaries: To commence at Boyd's mill on the Patuxent river, and running a southerly course to the main road from Bladensburg to Queen Anne's; intersecting said road at Col. Wooton's gate, adjoining James Mullikin's field; thence with said road to the Methodist meeting house; thence to Mitchel's blacksmith shop; thence to John B. Mullikin's shop; thence to Lot's ford; thence to Bacon's shop, where the Anacostia road intersects with the said Bladensburg road; and thence to the original boundary of Queen Anne's Parish, so as by said line to bisect said parish—the southern portion, containing the Parish church, to constitute one parish, and the northern portion, containing the chapel and rectory, to constitute the other. The designation of the southern portion, shall be Queen Anne's Parish; and the designation of the northern, shall be the Parish of the Holy Trinity. Each of these parishes shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to separate parishes by the laws of the State of Maryland, and the constitutions and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

The committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of purchasing a dwelling house for the Bishop, made a verbal report, and offered the following resolution.

*Resolved*, That the proposition to purchase an Episcopal residence be referred to the trustees of the Episcopal Fund, with authority to act in the premises so soon as, in their discretion, they may deem themselves authorised so to do:

*Provided*, means for the erection of the proposed house be procured, without using the funds already provided for the support of the bishop.

On motion, the resolution was laid on the table.

The following resolution was offered:

*Resolved*, That the name and style of all official signatures upon the journals of this Convention, shall be in accordance with the constitutional and legal name of the Church, which is, that of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland.

The Chair declared the resolution to be out of order, as pertaining to a matter not within the cognizance of the Convention, to wit: the official signature of the bishop.

An appeal from the decision of the Chair was taken.

It was moved that the appeal be laid on the table.

The ayes and noes were called for and granted.

On calling the roll, there answered :

|                                    |   |   |   |    |    |
|------------------------------------|---|---|---|----|----|
| In the affirmative, of the clergy, | - | - | - | 37 |    |
| “ “ “ laity,                       | - | - | - | 18 |    |
|                                    |   |   |   | —  | 55 |
| In the negative of the clergy,     | - | - | - | 13 |    |
| “ “ “ laity,                       | - | - | - | 8  |    |
|                                    |   |   |   | —  | 21 |

**Ayes—Clergy.**

**Rev. James Abercrombie,**

- “ Henry Aisquith,
- “ Philip Berry,
- “ James A. Buck,
- “ Samuel Buel,
- “ D. H. Buel,
- “ S. G. Callahan,
- “ John Crosdale,
- “ John W. French,
- “ Levin I. Gilliss,
- “ Robert L. Goldsborough,
- “ Matthias Harris,
- “ William A. Harris,
- “ Hugh T. Harrison,
- “ Alfred Holmead,
- “ Hector Humphreys,
- “ Norris M. Jones,
- “ John R. Keech,
- “ Theodore B. Lyman,
- “ Henry M. Mason, D. D.
- “ John N. McJilton,
- “ John Owen,
- “ William Pinkney,
- “ K. J. Stewart,
- “ Russell Trevett,
- “ E. M. Van Deusen,
- “ Henry Williams,
- “ William E. Wyatt, D. D.

**Noes—Clergy.**

**Rev. Henry Brown,**

- “ Thomas B. Flower,
- “ Henry V. D. Johns,
- “ Henry S. Keppler,
- “ Alexander M. Marbury,
- “ Joshua Peterkin,
- “ Horace Stringfellow,
- “ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.
- “ Stephen G. Gassaway,
- “ George A. Leakin,
- “ John F. Hoff,
- “ S. W. Crampton,
- “ Robert Piggott.—13.

**AYES—Clergy, (continued.)**

Rev. William F. Brand,  
 “ John W. Chew,  
 “ Samuel R. Gordon,  
 “ Thomas Atkinson,  
 “ Adolph Frost,  
 “ John B. Kerfoot,  
 “ Henry Crosdale,  
 “ R. W. Goldsborough,  
 “ Harvey Stanley.—37.

**AYES—Laity.**

Hon. E. F. Chambers,  
 S. I. Donaldson, Esq.  
 H. D. Evans, Esq.  
 Dr. James Stewart,  
 Mr. Thomas Schnebly,  
 “ John R. Duvall,  
 “ John Colhoon,  
 “ Benjamin W. Harris,  
 “ Meyer Lewin,  
 Dr. Hanson Penn,  
 Mr. Hammond Stewart,  
 “ T. I. Dorsett,  
 Thomas Duckett, Esq.  
 Alexander C. Magruder, Esq.  
 J. Mason Campbell, Esq.  
 John Glenn, Esq.  
 Dr. H. Colburn,  
 Mr. Gilbert Rodman.—18.

**NOES—Laity.**

Mr. William Krebs,  
 “ Samuel Cheston,  
 “ John S. Mills,  
 Hon. James Carroll,  
 Mr. Charles E. Mix,  
 “ John C. Gott,  
 “ P. T. Berry,  
 William Carmichael, Esq.—8.

So the appeal was laid on the table.

The Committee on Parochial Contributions made the following report:

The Committee on Parochial Contributions report the following parishes to have paid the sums respectively credited to them.

|                                              | Convention<br>Fund. | Bishop's<br>Fund. | Arrears. |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------|
| St. Peter's Church, city of Baltimore, . . . | \$36 00             |                   |          |
| Christ Church, city of Baltimore, . . .      | 36 00               |                   |          |
| Christ Church, Georgetown, . . .             | 8 00                |                   |          |

|                                                                                      | Convention<br>Fund. | Bishop's<br>Fund. | Arrears.      |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| St. John's Parish, Washington city, . . .                                            | 14 00               |                   |               |
| St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, . . . . .                                              | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Queen Ann Parish, Prince George's county, .                                          | 14 00               |                   |               |
| William and Mary Parish, Charles county, .                                           | 9 00                |                   |               |
| St. John's Parish, Washington county, . . ,                                          | 9 00                |                   |               |
| St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, . .                                         | 9 00                |                   |               |
| St. Margaret's Church, Westminster Parish,<br>Anne Arundel county, . . . . .         | 9 00                | \$40 00           | \$9 00        |
| St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county, . . .                                         | 6 00                |                   |               |
| All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, . . . . .                                        | 6 00                |                   | 1 08          |
| Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county, . . .                                           | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county, .                                          | 6 00                |                   |               |
| St. Augustine Parish, Cecil county, . . . . .                                        | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, . . . .                                         | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Christ Church, 'Queen Caroline Parish, Anne<br>Arundel county, . . . . .             | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties,                                    | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Trinity Parish, Charles county, . . . . .                                            | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough, . . . .                                           | 6 00                |                   |               |
| St. James's Parish, Baltimore county, . . . .                                        | 6 00                |                   | 16 00         |
| Severn Church, Anne Arundel county, . . . .                                          | 6 00                |                   |               |
| St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, .                                       | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Zion Church, Prince George's county, . . . .                                         | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George's<br>and Charles counties, . . . . . | 6 00                |                   |               |
| St. John's Church, Havre de Grace, . . . . .                                         | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Christ Church, Allegany Missionary station, .                                        | 2 35                |                   |               |
| St. Paul's Parish, Kent county, . . . . .                                            | 4 00                |                   |               |
| St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore city, . . . .                                         | 6 00                |                   |               |
| St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, . . . . .                                       | 6 00                |                   |               |
| Chester Parish, Kent county, . . . . .                                               | 9 00                |                   |               |
| William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, .                                        | 7 00                |                   |               |
| St. John's Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . .                                        | 6 00                | 13 00             |               |
| St. John's Parish, Baltimore county, . . . .                                         | 3 00                |                   |               |
| Rock Spring Church, Harford county, . . . .                                          | 3 00                |                   |               |
| St. John's Parish, Worcester county, . . . . .                                       | 2 50                |                   |               |
| St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, . . . . .                                         | 14 00               |                   |               |
| Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, . . . .                                        | 6 00                |                   |               |
| St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, . . .                                        | 6 00                |                   |               |
|                                                                                      | <hr/> \$320 85      | <hr/> \$53 00     | <hr/> \$26 08 |

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Convention Fund, 1844, . . . . .   | \$320 85        |
| Bishop's Fund, . . . . .           | 53 00           |
| Arrears Convention Fund, . . . . . | 26 08           |
| Total, . . . . .                   | <hr/> \$399 93* |

WILLIAM PINKNEY, *Chairman*.  
JAMES CARROLL.

BALTIMORE, June 1st, 1844.

\*Received since the Convention adjourned.

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|------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| From St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore, . . . . .         | \$45 00 |
| From St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil county, . . . . . | 6 00    |

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention go into an election for Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed to ascertain whether there are any vacancies, and how many Trustees this Convention is entitled to appoint, and also to nominate for election.

The Chair appointed Hon. E. F. Chambers, S. I. Donaldson, and Alexander C. Magruder, Esqrs. said committee.

On motion, leave was granted to withdraw the resolution on the table, relative to the releasing of Severn Church from its dues to the Convention.

The Committee appointed to revise the canon on the rights of clergymen to seats in the Convention, reported the following amendment of the 4th canon :

The Committee appointed to examine the 4th canon of the P. E. Church of Maryland, in order to ascertain if it could not be rendered more perspicuous and unequivocal in its action, respectfully recommend, that in the 1st line, after the words, "no clergyman," there shall be added as follows: "removing from another diocese into Maryland"—and that at the end of the present canon there shall be affixed the following clause:—"and in the case of a clergyman removing from one parish in the diocese into another, he shall be required, immediately after his acceptance of the appointment, to transmit to the Bishop, a certificate from the Wardens and Vestry of the said election; which certificate shall be necessary, as evidence of his title to a seat in this Convention."

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That the report of the Committee be adopted.

The canon as amended, was then read again, as follows :—

#### CANON IV.

No clergyman removing from another diocese into Maryland, shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention, as having been regularly and canonically elected into a parish, unless it shall have been signified to the secretary of the Convention, for the time being, by the Bishop, or, in the case of a vacancy, by the President of the Standing Committee, that he had obtained from him a certificate of his episcopal qualifications and religious character ; and unless the Bishop or President shall have received from the vestry, and transmitted to the secretary, the certificate required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention of 1835. And no clergyman shall have a seat in the Convention, as an instructor of youth in any seminary of learning, till he shall have produced to the Convention a certificate from the rector and vestry of the parish or church, in which it is, or from the vestry, if there be no rector, that he is so employed. And in the case of a clergyman removing from one parish in the diocese into another, he shall be required, immediately after his acceptance of the appointment, to transmit to the Bishop, a certificate from the Wardens and Vestry of the said election ; which certificate shall be necessary, as evidence of his title to a seat in this Convention.

And on the question being taken, was unanimously passed.

The committee appointed to nominate trustees of the General Theological Seminary, reported that the Convention was entitled to at least twelve trustees, and that there were six vacancies ; and nominated the following gentlemen, who were unanimously elected : Rev. Thomas Atkinson, Rev. R. Lloyd Goldsborough, Rev. Samuel Buel, Rev. Henry Brown, Rev. Henry M. Mason, D. D., and T. S. Alexander, Esq.

A statement of the receiver of contributions of the parishes, under the resolution of the last annual Convention in behalf of St. James's Hall, was laid before the Convention, and referred to the following committee, for examination : Rev. N. M. Jones, Rev. Harvey Stanley, and John Colhoon, Esq.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention do now go into the election of an executive committee of missions for the ensuing

year; whereupon the former committee was nominated, with the substitution of the name of the Rev. Thomas Atkinson, in the place of that of the Rev. Dr. Henshaw, and the following gentlemen were declared to be duly elected: Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Rev. Thomas Atkinson, Rev. George F. Worthington, Samuel I. Donaldson, J. Mason Campbell, and H. D. Evans, Esqrs.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the sum of twenty dollars be paid by the Treasurer to the Sexton of St. Paul's Church, for his services during the session of the Convention.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention be authorised to employ a suitable person to transcribe the journal of the present Convention, and that an appropriation of fifty dollars be applied to defray the expense thereof.

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the receiver of contributions for St. James's Hall, reported that they had examined the same, with their vouchers, and found them correct.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the next annual convention be held in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

The Secretary was instructed to print 1250 copies of the Journal, being the same number as was printed last year.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That an equal number of the Sermon of the Bishop be printed, and distributed with the Journal.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Secretary.

The Standing Committee made their annual report on the state of the Church, which was accepted.

The Standing Committee having had under consideration the Parochial Reports submitted to them, respectfully state, that while those documents bear evidence that the good hand of God has been, and still is upon the diocese, of which there was ample testimony in the Bishop's communication to the Convention, nothing more appears in the reports calling for their special notice or recommendation.

W. E. WYATT,  
Pres. Standing Committee.



On motion, *Resolved*, That after the usual closing devotion, the Convention adjourn *sine die*.

The session was thereupon closed by the Bishop, with appropriate prayers and the benediction.

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland,*  
*and President of the Convention of the Diocese.*

*Attest,*

HERVEY COLBURN, *Secretary.*

# A P P E N D I X .

## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

### *Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.*

|                                                      |           |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Baptisms—adult, white 3—infants, white 7, colored 2, | 12        |
| Communicants—last reported,                          | 56        |
| “ added, by removal to the place,                    | 10        |
| “ from dissent,                                      | 1         |
| “ from the congregation,                             | 9         |
| “ total added,                                       | 20        |
| “ died,                                              | 3         |
| “ removed from the place,                            | 7         |
| “ leaving present number,                            | 66        |
| Marriages—white,                                     | 6         |
| Funerals—white 5, colored 1,                         | 6         |
| Sunday School teachers,                              | 10        |
| “ scholars,                                          | 70        |
| Offerings—St. James's Hall,                          | \$20 00   |
| Domestic Missions,                                   | 56 19     |
| Foreign Missions,                                    | 48 44     |
| Diocesan objects,                                    | \$8 98½   |
| Bishop's salary,                                     | 28 00     |
|                                                      | <hr/>     |
|                                                      | \$191 61½ |

SAMUEL BUEL, *Rector.*

*Cumberland, May 24th, 1844.*

### *Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegany county.*

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants, | 33 |
| Funerals,         | 15 |

|                                                          |        |
|----------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Marriages, . . . . .                                     | 6      |
| Communicants—added, . . . . .                            | 12     |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                     | 1      |
| “ present number, . . . . .                              | 31     |
| Collections—For Foreign and Domestic Missions, . . . . . | \$4 05 |
| On Palm Sunday, . . . . .                                | 1 30   |
| For St. James's Hall, . . . . .                          | 1 93   |
|                                                          | <hr/>  |
|                                                          | \$7 28 |

Last fall we erected a neat small frame building at Mount Savage, which answers the double purpose of church and school house. Since the erection of this building, there has been a decided improvement in the attendance—the house, at times, is well filled. At my other points of labor the attendance is remarkably good. For want of room, we are frequently obliged to hold our services in an adjoining grove. We trust that the precious seed sown will produce fruit to the honor and glory of God.

J. H. KEHLER, *Missionary in Allegany county, Md.*  
P. O., Cumberland, Md.

*All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

|                                                 |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Infants baptised—white 4, colored 17, - - - - - | 21      |
| Communicants—last reported, - - - - -           | 25      |
| “ moved from the parish, - - - - -              | 2       |
| “ moved into the parish, - - - - -              | 2       |
| Funerals—white 7, colored 1, - - - - -          | 8       |
| Marriage—colored, - - - - -                     | 1       |
| Amount of offerings, - - - - -                  | \$35 02 |
| Expended, Missions, - - - - -                   | 15 00   |
| St. James's Hall, - - - - -                     | 5 00    |
| Bishop's temporary support, - - - - -           | 13 62   |
| Service of the altar, - - - - -                 | 9 19    |

But one subscriber to the bishop's fund has paid through the rector, a third instalment and interest on \$50. A neat and substantial fence has been made round the parish church. The rector also gratefully acknowledges the gift of a valuable horse.

W. F. BRAND, *Rector.*  
P. O., Davidsonville, Anne Arundel county.

*Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish.*

|                            |    |
|----------------------------|----|
| Communicants, - - - - -    | 27 |
| Baptism—adult 1, - - - - - | 8  |
| Marriage, - - - - -        | 1  |
| Burials, - - - - -         | 3  |

Church offerings, about \$60.

Contributions to the support of the Episcopate since the establishment of Episcopal Fund :

|                                 | <i>Principal.</i> | <i>Interest.</i> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1841                            | \$115 00          | 39 00            |
| 1842                            | 117 50            | 25 10            |
| 1843                            | 40 00             | 25 00            |
| 1844                            | 65 00             | 17 50            |
| Balance of unpaid subscription, | 287 50            | 18 00            |

Services are continued at Laurel Factory, and the rector hopes and believes the prospect for the establishment of the Church somewhat better than it appeared to be at the last Convention. The agent at the Factory has offered to subscribe \$200 towards the erection of a church edifice, and believes that he could procure some \$300 more through his friends and the inhabitants of the village. It is believed by the rector, that could there be a clergyman located on the spot, in a few years there might be a respectable congregation of churchmen collected.

R. H. WATERS, *Rector.*

*Savage Post Office, 29th May.*

*Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills.*

The rector of Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills, reports, that from unlooked for causes, the church edifice, of which a report was made at the last Convention, is not yet completed. The walls are up and the roof on ; but for the present the work is to be arrested. The Building Committee indulge the hope however, that soon it may be resumed and the building finished. Until the church edifice shall be provided for the accommodation of worshippers, the rector fears but little can be done in the way of gathering in an additional congregation.

During the past year 10 children have been baptised, 7 white and 3 colored, and 2 marriages have been solemnized.

The Patapasco Female Institute, of which the undersigned is chaplain, continues to be most prosperous, in the hands of Mrs. Almira H. L. Phelps, already so well known to the Church in Maryland.

ALFRED HOLMEAD, *Rector.*

*Severn Church, Anne Arundel county.*

|                               |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |         |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Baptisms—white 12, colored 6, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 18      |
| Communicants—added            | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7       |
| “ removed,                    | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1       |
| “ present number,             | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 41      |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 1, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| Funeral,                      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1       |
| Collected for Missions,       | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$17 50 |

HENRY AISQUITH, *Rector.**Post Office, Millersville, May 27, 1844.**Ellicott's Chapel.*

|                              |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Baptisms—white 3, colored 1, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4 |
| Communicants—added,          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| “ present number,            | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7 |
| Marriages—white,             | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2 |

HENRY AISQUITH, *Rector.**May 27th, 1844.**St. Ann's Parish, Annapolis.*

Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen reports himself to the Bishop, as rector of St. Ann's Parish, having entered upon the duties of the rectorship on the Fifth Sunday after Easter—(May 12.)

*Annapolis, May 25th, 1844.**St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

|                                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms,                           | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| Marriages,                          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| Communicants as far as ascertained, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 66 |
| Funerals,                           | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2  |

Contributions for benevolent purposes, \$65.

The Rector of this parish entered upon the discharge of his duties on the first of October, 1843. When the weather has been good, the congregations have been large and attentive. The services are well attended, but no special interest is manifested. The service for colored people, is very largely attended. and the Rector feels himself much encouraged in this portion of his work.

J. MORSELL, *Rector.**Post Office, West River.*

*St. John's Church, near Ellicott's Mills.*

|                                       |         |      |
|---------------------------------------|---------|------|
| Baptisms—adult 1 ; infants, 2, white, | - - - - | 3    |
| Communicants—last reported,           | - - - - | 26   |
| “ added,                              | - - - - | 4—30 |
| “ died, 1 ; removed, 3,               | - - - - | 4    |
|                                       |         | —    |
| “ present number,                     | - - - - | 26   |
| Marriages,                            | - - - - | 2    |
| Funerals,                             | - - - - | 2    |

Sunday Offerings, \$222 45.

Appropriated as follows—

|                                                 |         |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Domestic Committee, D. & F. Missionary Society, | -       | \$26 00 |
| Diocesan Society,                               | - - - - | 55 52   |
| St. James's College,                            | - - - - | 72 64   |
| Palm Sunday Collection,                         | - - - - | 19 65   |
| Parochial purposes,                             | - - - - | 48 64   |

\$222 45

HUGH T. HARRISON, *Rector.*

*St. John's Parsonage, Ellicott's Mills, May 28th, 1844.*

*St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

|                                       |         |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Baptisms—4 Infants white, 16 colored, | - - - - | 20      |
| Marriages—colored,                    | - - - - | 5       |
| Communicants—removed                  | - - - - | 2       |
| “ added,                              | - - - - | 2       |
| “ present number,                     | - - - - | 12      |
| Missionary Collections,               | - - - - | \$20 45 |

ORLANDO HUTTON, *late Rector.*

*Post Office of the Parish, Annapolis.*

*Church of the Ascension, Baltimore.*

During the last Conventional year the blessing of God towards this church has manifested itself in the increase alike of temporal and spiritual prosperity. The heavy debt which hitherto hindered our progress, has been in some degree reduced, and the balance so arranged as to relieve us from its onerous pressure. The congregation itself is increasing and assuming more stability of character, and bringing to our relief more ample pecuniary means. The fol-

lowing are the statistics, the yet infant state of our congregation forbidding us to speak decidedly or more amply upon the general matters of the church.

|                                                          |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Baptisms—adult 1, infants 25,                            | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 26  |
| Communicants—added,                                      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 28  |
| “ died,                                                  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2   |
| “ removed,                                               | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6   |
| “ present number,                                        | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 106 |
| Marriages,                                               | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3   |
| Funerals,                                                | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 17  |
| Sunday School—male department, teachers 12, scholars 65. |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |
| “ female “ “ 15, “ 85.                                   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |

FRANCIS PECK, *Rector*.

*Baltimore, May 28th, 1844.*

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*Christ Church, Baltimore.*

|                                |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Baptisms—infants 48, adults 6, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 54  |
| Marriages,                     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 11  |
| Burials,                       | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 21  |
| Communicants,                  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 375 |

Contributions to various objects, including the sinking fund for the church debt, schools, asylum, and missions, about - - - - \$4,000

The sunday schools of the congregation continue to be conducted as heretofore, and are doing well. During the past year, the congregation has erected a commodious chapel in the eastern part of the city, and have paid for the expenses of its materials and construction. They have also supplied the same with the services of the Church, and entertain the hope that a valuable congregation will in time be gathered there. A vestry has been elected, and an application will be made to have the congregation admitted into union with the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland. The name of the congregation will be stated in their application. Appended is the report of services there rendered.

HENRY V. D. JOHNS, *Rector*.

*May 29th, 1844.*

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*Cranmer Chapel, Baltimore.*

|                                            |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |     |
|--------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Baptisms—infant,                           | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10  |
| Burials,                                   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10  |
| Sunday School teachers—male 11, female 12, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 23  |
| “ scholars—male 75, female 105,            | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 180 |

On the 22d August, 1843, I entered upon my duties as Missionary and Assistant of Christ Church. On the 21st January, 1844, Cranmer Chapel was opened for Divine worship, which has been continued regularly every Sunday since. A vestry has been duly organized, and the debt of the chapel paid.

This is the first Episcopal church erected east of Harford Run, a part of the city comprising the first three wards of the fourteen.

A Sunday School has likewise been established on Fell's Point, and there is a reasonable prospect that a chapel will soon be built in that section of the city also.

GEO. ARMISTEAD LEAKIN.

May, 1844.

*Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.*

|                                                              |    |   |   |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|----|---|---|---------|
| Baptisms—adult, white, 1—infants, white, 2,                  | -  | - | - | 3       |
| Communicants—last reported 35, added 2, present number about | 30 |   |   |         |
| Marriages—white,                                             | -  | - | - | 1       |
| Sunday Schools—male teachers 6, female teachers 7,           | -  | - | - | 13      |
| “ male scholars 39, female scholars, 44,                     | -  | - | - | 83      |
| Collections—at Sunday service, for Missions,                 | -  | - | - | \$12 00 |
| “ from Sunday school, for the same object,                   | -  | - | - | 4 00    |

Total, - - - - \$16 00

The above statistics are as accurate as circumstances permit. The church was without regular pastoral care from November until the second Sunday in this present month, when a new Rector entered upon his duties; but during this interval, the regular public services were maintained through the kind aid of the Bishop and other clergy, and our little flock were thus held together. The Sunday school also, was preserved in being by the faithful efforts of its friends, and the congregation lost nothing of its distinctive character. Since the last report, a very eligible lot has been presented to the vestry, by its liberal owner, with the single requirement, that a suitable church should be erected within a reasonable time; and a handsome plan for the building, has been prepared to meet every requisition. Nothing is now wanting towards our being in possession of a suitable house of worship, but the liberal aid of those who, having the means, are disposed to use them for the glory of God, in the growth of His spiritual Kingdom among men. The absolute need of a church building, for the success of our enterprise, is so obvious, that we feel confidence in looking to our friends, for ability to accomplish this, and to do it speedily.

ALFRED A. MILLER, Rector.

May 29th, 1844.



BALTIMORE, May 29th, 1844.

*Right Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, D. D.*

Respected Sir,

In making my annual report of ministerial acts, I have to excuse myself for some small deficiency in relation to my labors in Darlington and vicinity, on account of not having the registry in my possession; it having been left with the vestry, since I ceased to serve them as their rector.

With respect to Emmanuel Church, Darlington, and the congregation at the Trappe, I am well satisfied with what I have seen and heard, that, had they among them a zealous and efficient missionary, in a year's time they would raise a house of worship in each place unincumbered with debt. Could I have remained among them, laboring as I ought, and as I desired, I am confident that the result would have been as above stated long before this; but a very distressing and alarming affection, to which I am frequently subject, had so completely mastered my physical energies, that I had almost to the degree of exclusiveness, to devote my care and attention to the preserving of my life!

As my health began to improve, circumstances seemed to require the settlement of my family in one of the cities, and Baltimore was the place determined on. In January last, under your kind sanction and that of the clergy of Baltimore, I commenced an effort at raising a congregation, and have continued with increasing prospects of final success. On the 28th of January (4th Sunday after Epiphany) I preached my first sermon, after morning service, at the room above Hillen Street Academy, to a large and attentive congregation; at which time I invited those who were favorable to the formation of a new congregation of Protestant Episcopalians, to meet me at the same place on the Wednesday following, being the 31st of the same month. A very encouraging meeting was the result; a congregation was formed and a vestry elected, which took the title of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Redemption.

Regular services have been held every Sunday morning and night since then. In the afternoon, I have attended the Sunday School, and have addressed the scholars, teachers, and others that might be present, especially on the catechism of the Church. I hold also two lectures during the week; one on Tuesday night at my own house; and the other at the room which we occupy on Saturdays, on Thursday night.

Out of a greater number who have given us a sanction as a congregation, by the recording of their names, I can state with certainty, as *bona fide* members, nearly 40 families, consisting of 88 adults and 78 children; making a total of 166 souls. And we still have a prospect of considerable additions.

I think I can state the communicants at 15; and there is a number of candidates for confirmation. Since the formation of the congregation I have baptised 8 children, 1 colored. Funerals, 3.

Since the last convention, I have preached and lectured over 200 times, besides engaging in reading prayers at times when I did not preach.

Our Sunday School consists of about 65 scholars, taught by 4 male and 8 female teachers; total 12 teachers.

All which is respectfully submitted by,

Yours truly,

ROBERT PIGGOT,

*Rector of the Church of the Redemption, Balto.*

*St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.*

|                                |   |   |   |   |   |     |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Baptised—Adults 2, infants 36, | - | - | - | - | - | 38  |
| Married,                       | - | - | - | - | - | 14  |
| Buried,                        | - | - | - | - | - | 17  |
| Communicants—last reported,    | - | - | - | - | - | 114 |
| “ added,                       | - | - | - | - | - | 27  |
| “ died,                        | - | - | - | - | - | 2   |
| “ removed,                     | - | - | - | - | - | 3   |
| “ stricken from the list,      | - | - | - | - | - | 1   |
| “ present number,              | - | - | - | - | - | 135 |
| Sunday Schools,                | - | - | - | - | - | 2   |
| “ teachers—male 7, female 12,  | - | - | - | - | - | 19  |
| “ scholars “ 50, “ 90,         | - | - | - | - | - | 140 |

The average attendance in both schools is about - - - 110

The contributions for charitable purposes, including the sinking fund, \$1,104 87

There is a small class ready for confirmation. •

The rector would, with unfeigned pleasure and gratitude, make mention of the silent and unobtrusive labors of a band of pious ladies, a branch of the Female Benevolent Society of the Church. By their efficient efforts, a large number of poor families have been visited and relieved, their half-naked children clothed and brought to the Sunday Schools, and 429 garments given to the destitute. The details of this society during the past month have been deeply interesting, and cannot fail, with the Divine blessing, richly to reward its self-denying managers.

H. S. KEPPLER, *Rector.*

*Saint James's (African) Church.*

|                                               |    |
|-----------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adult 1, infants 7, . . . . .        | 8  |
| Confirmations, . . . . .                      | 9  |
| Marriages, . . . . .                          | 4  |
| Funeral, . . . . .                            | 1  |
| Communicants—last year 36, added 4, . . . . . | 40 |

During the present year, the congregation has purchased a neat and excellent organ, which adds to the interest of the public services. The prospect for usefulness among the colored people is much abridged in consequence of sectarian prejudices, which it is impossible to remove, without the constant practice of parochial visitation, which from other and highly responsible duties, is not in the power of the present rector. The members of the Church, who are acquainted with her institutions and forms of service, are much attached to them,—and if the same knowledge were extended to others, there can be no doubt that the same result would be effected, and the church much increased. To perform this duty properly, the services of a colored clergyman would be required, who could visit the people more frequently, and enter more fully into their interests and feelings than present arrangements permit.

J. N. McJILTON, *Rector.*

*St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.*

|                         |     |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms, . . . . .     | 61  |
| Funerals, . . . . .     | 34  |
| Marriages, . . . . .    | 16  |
| Communicants, . . . . . | 378 |

W. E. WYATT, *Rector.*

*St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.*

The rector reports, that he took charge of the church on the 1st of September of the last year. Having examined the list of communicants left by the late rector, the present Bishop of Rhode Island, he found the names of many persons no longer connected with the congregation,—some having joined other churches of our communion in the city, and some, being persons of whom no information could be obtained, having probably died or removed without its being made known to the late rector. Under these circumstances, it was thought best, to make out an entirely new list, and the names of communicants were requested for that purpose. It is believed that all who are attached to

the communion of St. Peter's have not yet reported themselves, but the names of old communicants ascertained so far, are . . . . . 302

Added, . . . . . 24

Died, . . . . . 6

Removed, . . . . . 4

Present number, . . . . . 316

Baptisms by the late rector since his last report—adults 2, infants 7, 9

Baptisms by the present rector—adults 4, infants 20, . . . . . 24

Whole number of baptisms—adults 6, infants 27, . . . . . 33

Of marriages, there were performed by the late rector, since his

last report, . . . . . 2

By the present rector, . . . . . 6

Whole number, . . . . . 8

Of funerals, by the late rector there were . . . . . 4

By the present, . . . . . 21

Whole number, . . . . . 25

Confirmed, . . . . . 13

Amount of pecuniary contributions for objects of a religious nature out of the parish, has, since last October, exceeded \$1,800.

THOMAS ATKINSON, *Rector.*

#### *Saint Stephen's Church, Baltimore.*

Baptisms—adults 5—infants 23, - - - - - 28

Confirmations, - - - - - 15

Marriages, - - - - - 4

Funerals, - - - - - 4

Communicants, - - - - - 23

About the 20th of May, 1843, the preliminary arrangements were made for the organization of a new church in the city of Baltimore, to be called the Church of Saint Stephen the Martyr. A room was procured in the second story of a building owned by Mr. William Patterson, and a Sunday school and Divine service commenced on the Sunday after Ascension, May 28th, 1843. On the 5th day of July, Messrs. J. Mason Campbell, Wm. E. Voss, Nathan C. Brooks, Daniel Brunner, Wm. Patterson, and Robert H. Middleton, in the presence of James P. Heath and Thomas H. Belt, Esqs., Justices in the city of Baltimore, acknowledged a form of constitution, and organized as a vestry, according to law. One of the first acts of the legally organized vestry, was the leasing of a lot on the south side of Lee street, between Hanover and Sharp streets. The corner stone of the church building was laid on Wednesday, the

26th of July, by the Right Reverend the Bishop, assisted by several clergymen of the diocese. The new building was opened for Divine service on the Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 24th. The church is built of brick. The dimensions are, front 40 feet, flank 60 feet, with a projection of 10 feet for the chancel, making the distance from the front wall to the rear of the chancel, 70 feet.

The rear of the chancel is semi-circular, leaving on each side a room used as vestry rooms. The semi-circle terminates at the top in a groined arch, presenting the appearance of an alcove, which is handsomely painted. The furniture of the chancel consists of an altar, a lectern, from which the lessons are read, six chairs, and a prothesis. Though but 9 feet deep, the chancel is sufficiently large, and by this arrangement, affords sufficient room for all the purposes designed in its use, without inconvenience, which could not be the case, were it furnished in any other way. Through the kindness of some ladies, the altar has been presented with a handsome and appropriate communion service of silver, consisting of the paten and two cups; and there is now in the process of manufacture, as a donation from a gentleman, a tankard to suit the set.

The body of the church will seat comfortably about four hundred persons. It is finished perfectly plain, with a gallery thrown across the front for the choir, in which there is a very excellent organ built for the church by Mr. Hall, of Baltimore. There are but three windows on each side, which afford sufficient light when the blinds are closed. The blinds are transparent shades, with beautiful and appropriate devices. The blinds, with every thing ornamental in the Church, were donations. The cost of the church to the vestry was less than twenty-four hundred dollars.

The congregation has been gradually increasing from the time the services were commenced in the church. The Sunday school is flourishing, and there is every encouragement for the hope, that by the blessing of God this effort to extend His Kingdom will be prosperous and successful. The location is a vicinity, which has been for a long time destitute of Divine worship in accordance with the forms and usages of our Church; and I trust the good effects of their operation may be seen in the practical godliness and holiness of life and character which they are so well calculated to produce. Early morning prayers have been continued in the church regularly from the day it was opened.

J. N. McJILTON, *Rector.*

#### *Maryland Hospital.*

The undersigned has been engaged in conducting Divine worship at this institution, since October, 1841. From fifty to sixty of the inmates attend in

the chapel, many of whom engage in the services with the same interest that I have observed elsewhere. The responsive services seem to be peculiarly adapted to their situation. The part they are permitted to take in them, absorbs their attention from every thing else, and appears to render their behaviour devout and respectful. I have noticed a decided improvement in their condition, since the services were introduced for regular continuance. The experiment has been fairly proved, which other institutions of the sort have recently tested, that moral and religious training is of very important advantage in the management of the insane. Besides attending to the services of the chapel, I have held private conversations with the inmates, visited the sick in their apartments, administered the Holy Communion to the dying, and performed the service for the dead. From the resident physician, matron and keepers, I have received every necessary aid in the discharge of the duties of my office, and by their efforts mine have been greatly facilitated.

J. N. McJILTON.

*Sherwood Parish, Baltimore county.*

The subscriber, having very lately taken charge of this parish, can merely report himself as rector.

SAMUEL G. CALLAHAN.

May 29th, 1844.

*St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.*

|                                                    |    |
|----------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—children, white 14, colored 13, . . . . . | 27 |
| Confirmed, . . . . .                               | 4  |
| Marriages, . . . . .                               | 5  |
| Interments, . . . . .                              | 8  |
| Communicants—added, . . . . .                      | 2  |
| “ died, . . . . .                                  | 4  |
| “ stricken from the list, . . . . .                | 4  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                               | 1  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                        | 47 |

The rector has nothing of peculiar interest to report, except the securing of titles to the parsonage and land adjoining. His congregations remain about the same in numbers, in both church edifices. He is of opinion, that a division of the parish and the securing of another minister for one of the congregations, would be of great service, by the Divine blessing, in advancing the cause of the Redeemer in both congregations.

M. L. FORBES, Rector.

*St. Thomas's Church, Baltimore county.*

|                    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Communicants,      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Marriages—colored, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| Funerals,          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4  |
| Baptisms,          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7  |

CHARLES C. AUSTIN, *Rector.*

*Parish of the Holy Trinity, Carroll and Baltimore counties.*

|                                                      |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |         |
|------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Baptisms—adult, white 1—infants, white 1, colored 1, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| Confirmed—white,                                     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| Communicants—former number,                          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| “ added,                                             | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| “ present number,                                    | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6       |
| Funerals—white,                                      | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1       |
| Sunday School—male teachers 2, female teachers 2,    | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4       |
| “ scholars,                                          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 23      |
| Alms,                                                | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$53 31 |

This parish was established by the last Convention. Until a few months before the Convention, there had been no Church services within the bounds of the parish for twenty years, and the old stone chapel of our Church which stood here was going to ruin. Since the Convention it has been thoroughly repaired, and was consecrated last fall as the parish church.

The rector of this parish has had charge of a little flock in Westminster, and has resided there since last November. This place, like the Parish of the Holy Trinity, has been a most destitute part of the diocese. The Rev. Mr. Taylor, our missionary to Mesopotamia, officiated here during part of last year. Previously to that, I suppose there had been no Church services in the place for nearly half a century. The Church people here are very few in number, but they are now exerting themselves most faithfully to erect a substantial and becoming house of worship, and hope to commence the building in a few weeks. The statistics of this congregation are as follows :

|                                       |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |         |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 3, colored 4, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7       |
| Communicants,                         | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5       |
| Alms,                                 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | \$22 56 |

The Rector of this parish also officiates at Lisbon, in Howard district, every two weeks, (on the afternoon of the Sunday that he is at Holy Trinity Church.) The statistics of this congregation are as follows :

|                        |           |   |
|------------------------|-----------|---|
| Baptism—infant, white, | - - - - - | 1 |
| Communicants,          | - - - - - | 7 |
| Marriage, white,       | - - - - - | 1 |

D. HILLHOUSE BUEL, *Rector*.

*Westminster, Carroll county.*

*St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.*

|                                                                |           |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Marriages—white 6, colored 3,                                  | . . . . . | 9  |
| Baptisms—infants 7, adults 9,                                  | . . . . . | 16 |
| Confirmations,                                                 | . . . . . | 12 |
| Communicants about 81, after deducting for removals, withdraw- |           |    |
| als, and deaths, 11 of the above number added this year.       |           |    |
| Funerals,                                                      | . . . . . | 5  |

JOHN R. KEECH, *Rector*.

*All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.*

|                                       |           |         |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Baptisms—white 19, colored 19,        | . . . . . | 38      |
| Communicants—last reported,           | . . . . . | 50      |
| “ removed—by dismissal 3, by death 5, | . . . . . | 8       |
| “ added,                              | . . . . . | 4       |
| “ present number,                     | . . . . . | 46      |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 4,         | . . . . . | 5       |
| Funerals—white 8, colored 2,          | . . . . . | 10      |
| Alms,                                 | . . . . . | \$44 85 |

He would further report, that since the last Convention, an assistant minister has been elected in this parish, for the purpose of officiating in a part of it inconveniently distant from the church. This he has done regularly since his election; and although the congregation is small, circumstances are such as to encourage the continuance of his services. Twelve hundred dollars have been subscribed for the erection of a church in the portion of the parish to which he is ministering.

HENRY WILLIAMS, *Rector*.

JOHN H. CHEW, *Assistant Rector*.

*Sunderland P. O., May 27th, 1844.*

*St. Paul's Parish, Calvert County.*

|                               |           |    |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Baptisms—white 15, colored 9, | - - - - - | 24 |
| Communicants,                 | - - - - - | 16 |
| Funerals—white 7, colored 2,  | - - - - - | 9  |



The pressure of the times has been so great, and the calls for contributions so large in the parish, that we have not been able to contribute any thing to the missionary purposes. The foundation of our church not resisting the action of the frost, it was found indispensable to put in a new one of more durable materials; and to coat the whole church with three coats of paint. A neat communion service has also been purchased, and a carpet and chairs for the chancel, and trimmings for the pulpit and desk.

ROBERT PROUT, *Rector*.

*Prince Frederick, May 23d.*

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*St. Augustine's Church, Cecil county.*

Our former rector, the Rev. Mr. Bausman, during last autumn, was called to Virginia. Since we have engaged the services of the Rev. Mr. Wiley of St. Stephen's for a limited time, our church is well attended, but the supporters are few, notwithstanding the parish is in a promising condition.

|                             |           |      |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------|
| Communicants—last reported, | - - - - - | 9    |
| “     “     died,           | - - - - - | 2—7  |
| Confirmed this year,        | - - - - - | 5—12 |

BENJAMIN W. HARRIS, *Delegate and Warden*.

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*St. Mary's and Trinity Churches, Cecil county.*

|                                                          |           |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 11; infants, white 15, colored 4, | -         | 90 |
| Confirmed—white,                                         | - - - - - | 17 |
| Communicants—last reported 32; added 10,                 | - -       | 42 |
| “     “     died 4; removed 2; suspended 1,              | - -       | 7  |
| “     “     present number,                              | - - - - - | 35 |
| Marriages—white 2; colored 2,                            | - - - - - | 4  |
| Funerals—white,                                          | - - - - - | 4  |

Appropriations have been made from the altar offerings of the past year, to St. James's College; to the Prayer Book, Tract and Homily Society, and to Missions within the Diocese; and to the General Theological Seminary at New York.

The children of the parish are instructed by a Catechist, under the direction of the parish priest; by whom they are examined “openly in the church” after evening service. The additions to the regular services, consist in the celebration of the Holy Eucharist in *each* Church, on the high festivals, the one at 6 A. M. and the other at 11 o'clock; of daily morning and evening service during Passion Week; and also during the summer, at the chapel in Elkton. The parishioners of Trinity Chapel, with one or two other true and generous

hearted Catholics, have provided an organ to aid in the better celebration of Divine service. The collections made in accordance with the request of the Bishop, and in addition to the altar offertory, of every Sunday, have been appropriated, for the present year, to charities within the Diocese.

R. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, *Rector.*

*Elkton, May, 1844.*

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*St. Stephen's, Cecil county.*

|                                                   |    |
|---------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants 20 ; adults 2,                   | 22 |
| Marriages,                                        | 5  |
| Confirmed,                                        | 6  |
| Communicants—last reported 84 ; dead 4 ; added 2, | 32 |

JNO. WILEY, *Rector.*

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*Durham Parish, Charles county.*

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Communicants,                 | 63 |
| “ deceased,                   | 3  |
| “ removed,                    | 3  |
| “ colored,                    | 1  |
| “ present number,             | 58 |
| Baptisms—white infants,       | 16 |
| “ “ adult,                    | 1  |
| “ colored infants,            | 41 |
| Marriages—white 6, colored 1, | 7  |
| Deaths—white 12, colored 7,   | 19 |

The temporalities of this parish have suffered considerably by removal and death of several of its warmest and most liberal supporters. The church has been allowed to go to almost total destruction. Up to last year, the parishioners had to be sad spectators to her crumbling and mouldering ruins, without the ability to arrest the waste of time ; it pitied them to see her stones almost in the dust. It was a work too great for their slender means, but then it was a work of their venerated ancestors, who were slumbering around the consecrated temple ; this endeared the spot to them,—and if it was neglected whilst they possessed the means to keep it from being desecrated and desolated, they would prove themselves unworthy of the zeal, piety, and liberality of their fathers. The argument prevailed : they all came up to the rescue, and particularly the ladies ; who labored with their own hands, that they might be able to give the more to this praiseworthy enterprise ; and by the blessing of a kind Providence, a sum of about \$700 was raised, which is being expended in the work

of repairs. When the plans are completed, the church will be more comfortable than at any period since its erection. If we can judge from the general interest which is excited in the prosperity of the church, we have great occasion to thank God, and take courage, that Christians are also building themselves. Some have been added to the communion, and others there are almost persuaded to be Christians. We hope these indications are the precursors of brighter and better days. May the Lord rain righteousness upon us and prosper the works of our hands!

S. W. CRAMPTON.

*Nanjemoy Post Office.*

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*Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.*

|                                  |     |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms, . . . . .              | 67  |
| Catechumens, . . . . .           | 40  |
| Sunday Schools, . . . . .        | 2   |
| Marriages, . . . . .             | 8   |
| Communicants, 3 added, . . . . . | 211 |
| Funerals, . . . . .              | 15  |
| LEMUEL WILMER, <i>Rector.</i>    |     |

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*Trinity Parish, Charles county.*

The Rector of Trinity Parish, Charles county, respectfully reports to the Bishop of the diocese :

|                                    |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—white 24, colored 48,     | 72      |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 2,      | 6       |
| Communicants,                      | 114     |
| Burials,                           | 34      |
| Missionary offerings,              | \$31 77 |
| Offerings for St. James's College, | 5 00    |

The catechising of the colored people has been continued. "A catechism to be taught orally to those who cannot read, by a bishop of the Church," has been used by the rector, and it is believed, under God, with no little benefit. The holy days of the Church are also still observed.

JAMES ABERCROMBIE, *Rector.*

*Charlotte Hall, St. Mary's county, May 29th.*

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*William and Mary Parish, Charles county.*

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 4, colored 12, | 16 |
| Marriages—white 7, colored 2, | 9  |

|                                                 |           |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Funerals—white 10, colored 2,                   | - - - - - | 12      |
| Contributions to missionary and other purposes, | - - - - - | \$66 73 |

This report which embraces the period from June, 1843, to March 3d, 1844, is respectfully submitted at the request, and in behalf of the

Rev. SAMUEL C. DAVIS, *late Rector.*

May, 1844.

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*William and Mary Parish, Charles county.*

|                                                          |           |         |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|---------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 1, colored 9,                    | - - - - - | 10      |
| Communicants—white 36, colored 4; admitted 4; dead 4,    | - - - - - | 40      |
| Funerals—white 2, colored 2,                             | - - - - - | 4       |
| Amount of collections for Missions, from March 3d, 1844, | - - - - - | \$4 58½ |

The present incumbent deems it proper furthermore, to report the fact of his very recent ecclesiastical connexion with William and Mary Parish. He trusts, however, that he has already met with some visible encouragement to “cast his bread upon the waters, in expectation of finding it again after many days.” And with the Divine blessing upon the seed sown, and upon the labors of His husbandman, he hopes to be able to render to the next Diocesan Convention, a more full and satisfactory account of his stewardship. All which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. M. TODD, *Rector.*

May 28th, 1844.

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*Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

(Extract from the Rector's reply to the “Heads of Inquiry” of the Bishop.)

|                                             |           |     |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Baptisms—adult 1—infants, white 18,         | - - - - - | 19  |
| Ready to be confirmed,                      | - - - - - | 15  |
| Communicants—last reported,                 | - - - - - | 199 |
| “ added,                                    | - - - - - | 21  |
| “ died,                                     | - - - - - | 5   |
| “ dismissed,                                | - - - - - | 2   |
| “ present number, 24 being colored persons, | - - - - - | 209 |
| Marriages—white 5, colored 1,               | - - - - - | 6   |
| Funerals, all white,                        | - - - - - | 17  |
| Sunday Schools,                             | - - - - - | 2   |
| “ teachers,                                 | - - - - - | 30  |
| “ scholars,                                 | - - - - - | 151 |

Communion alms about \$150, appropriated to the use of the poor. A monthly collection for missions is made, and \$166 80 have been thus collected,

for the year ending June 1st. The male Sunday school has contributed about \$75 to various missionary objects; the female Sunday school, \$20 to Africa; and the colored communicants about \$3 50, for the same object. The Palm Sunday collection amounted to \$66. The vestry have also this year, bought a parsonage, at the cost of \$1,700.

S. G. GASSAWAY, *Rector*.

*Georgetown, D. C., May 27th, 1844.*

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*St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

|                                           |   |   |   |    |
|-------------------------------------------|---|---|---|----|
| Communicants—found by the present rector, | - | - | - | 99 |
| “ added,                                  | - | - | - | 1  |
| Baptisms—infants 10, adults 5,            | - | - | - | 15 |
| Marriages,                                | - | - | - | 3  |

The above is all that the present rector can report. His acquaintance with the parish being but of three weeks standing.

The parish Church has been greatly enlarged and beautified during the past year; and efforts are now making, in connexion with the congregation of Christ Church, to raise funds for the support of a missionary for the town.

A. SHIRAS, *Rector*.

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*Rock Creek Parish, D. C.*

|                                                           |   |   |   |   |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 12, colored 4,                    | - | - | - | - | 16      |
| Communicants—last reported,                               | - | - | - | - | 52      |
| “ added,                                                  | - | - | - | - | 6       |
| “ removed,                                                | - | - | - | - | 5       |
| “ died,                                                   | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| “ present number—colored 3,                               | - | - | - | - | 51      |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 1,                             | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| Funerals—white 6, colored 1,                              | - | - | - | - | 7       |
| Collections for missionary and charitable purposes, about | - | - | - | - | \$36 00 |

Weekly services have been held whenever practicable. A growing attachment for the services of the Church is observable, and the rector would here record his devout thanksgivings to Almighty God for the blessings which has been bestowed upon his labors.

WILLIAM A. HARRIS, *Rector*.

*P. O. Washington City, May, 1844.*

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*Christ Church, Washington Parish, Washington city.*

|            |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 16 |
| Marriages, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 11 |

|                                                     |           |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Communicants—added,                                 | - - - - - | 2        |
| “ died,                                             | - - - - - | 5        |
| “ removed,                                          | - - - - - | 15       |
| “ present number,                                   | - - - - - | 122      |
| Funerals,                                           | - - - - - | 10       |
| Sunday School Teachers—male 7, female 9,            | - - - - - | 16       |
| “ Scholars “ 52, “ 72,                              | - - - - - | 124      |
| Collections for different benevolent objects, about | - - - - - | \$512 00 |

In reference to “ the state of the congregation,” the rector regrets that he is unable to report as favorably as at the last Convention. Owing to various causes, many families, then connected with the Church, have removed; leaving the present number about sixty. The small accession to the communion bespeaks for the congregation a fearful state of coldness and indifference, which is both painful and alarming. The general attendance, however, in proportion to the number of families, is as good, and the external order and respect for the solemn and sublime services of the Church, are as gratifying and respectable as they have ever been. The weekly contributions have not diminished at all, while the alms at the communion have considerably increased. The Sunday School, which is conducted by a zealous and faithful superintendent, and taught by a number of able and efficient teachers, is in a more flourishing condition.—More teachers, however, are greatly needed, especially in the male department; and, but for this deficiency, the school might be almost indefinitely increased, and made extremely interesting and flourishing. On the whole, therefore, the rector feels that there is great cause for thankfulness and praise; that, notwithstanding his own *unfitness* and *unworthiness*, the Lord Christ has, through his instrumentality, kept together, and in some measure blessed, for so long a time, the congregation committed to his care.

HENRY H. BEAN, *Rector.*

*Washington City, May 30th, 1844*

*Church of the Epiphany, Washington city.*

|                                         |           |          |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|
| Baptisms—adults 3—children 24,          | - - - - - | 27       |
| Communicants—last report 105; added 33, | - - - - - | 138      |
| “ removed,                              | - - - - - | 11       |
| “ present number,                       | - - - - - | 127      |
| Marriages,                              | - - - - - | 6        |
| Funerals,                               | - - - - - | 10       |
| Contributions to various objects,       | - - - - - | \$188 78 |

Since the last meeting of the Convention, a church edifice has been commenced, which is now nearly completed. Thanks are hereby rendered, in the name of CHRIST, to all those who have so kindly assisted by their contributions; and especially to the vestry, for their faithful exertions.

Blessed as this congregation has thus far been, it has sought, as was its duty, to extend spiritual blessings to others. Movements originating in it, and afterward, including the co-operation of the other churches in the city, finally terminated in a joint letter of invitation to the Rev. L. I. Gilliss, to officiate in the Northern Liberties of the city. He has come in a more self-denying manner than was contemplated at first. In that growing portion of the city, an abundant blessing is anticipated and invoked upon his experience, abilities, and devotedness.

J. W. FRENCH, *Rector*.

#### *St John's Church, Washington.*

The rector of St. John's Church, Washington City, has the satisfaction of reporting to this Convention, that shortly after its adjournment last summer, the congregation almost unanimously resolved to rebuild the interior of the church on a new and improved plan. The work was accordingly commenced in September, and so nearly finished by the last of January, that the services were resumed on the 28th. By means of this improvement additional accommodation is afforded for more than 150 persons, and the revenue greatly increased. The interior of the church it is thought, presents as beautiful and chaste an appearance in its architectural taste and arrangements; the neatness and simplicity of its chancel; the ornamental fresco painting, together with the drapey of the pews and gallery, as that of any church of its size in this country.

The present rector has had charge of this congregation more than 27 years, and thus spent the best portion of his life in their service. The vestry have recently very kindly provided him with an assistant. The Rev. Smith Pyne of New York, a zealous and devoted clergyman, has been invited and has accepted the situation.

Under these flattering auspices, and with the blessing of Heaven upon our united labors, the hope is fondly cherished, that the congregation will continue to increase in number and in spiritual wisdom.

Death, the great arbiter of human life, has made sad inroads among the people of his charge, and swept away an unusual number of the oldest and most respectable members, among whom was the late distinguished Secretary of State, on board the Princeton.

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Communicants—died, | 5   |
| “ added,           | 9   |
| “ present number,  | 111 |

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Marriages—white 7, colored 2, | 9  |
| Baptisms—white 23, colored 3, | 26 |
| Funerals,                     | 10 |

WILLIAM HAWLEY, *Rector.*

May 30th, 1844.

*Trinity Parish, Washington City.*

|                                            |     |
|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| Baptisms—infants,                          | 20  |
| Marriages,                                 | 11  |
| Funerals,                                  | 18  |
| Communicants—removed,                      | 8   |
| “ died,                                    | 2   |
| “ added,                                   | 12  |
| “ total,                                   | 252 |
| Sunday School teachers—male 13, female 25, | 38  |
| Number of children, about                  | 200 |

Amount contributed for following objects, viz :

|                                             |            |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| By Female Missionary Society, for Missions, | \$520 00   |
| By the Congregation, for Missions,          | 612 00     |
| Communion alms,                             | 280 00     |
| For Bishop's salary,                        | 40 00      |
| Total,                                      | \$1,452 00 |

While the Rector is permitted to indulge the hope that the state of the congregation is every way encouraging, he cannot withhold his testimony to the zeal and perseverance of the members of the Female Missionary Society, which, since its organization in December last, has contributed the sum of five hundred and twenty dollars towards the extension of that Gospel which they love, and which, I trust, they will continue to exemplify in their lives and conversation.

H. STRINGFELLOW, *Rector.*

*Washington City.*

The subscriber would most respectfully report to his Bishop, and through him to the Convention, that his connexion with St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, terminated on the 1st of October last, and with Prince George's Parish, in the same county, on the 1st of March, after a ministry among them of more than fourteen years; during which time he was, as he humbly trusts and believes, the honored instrument of greatly advancing the cause of the Redeemer. On the 1st of March, he received a joint letter of



invitation from the Rev. Messrs. Hawley, Stringfellow and French, most kindly urging him "to commence and carry on the services of the Church in any part of the city within their control," with a view to the establishment of a new Episcopal congregation. At the same time he was invested, by the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, with authority to act as a missionary in the same field. Having acceded to the invitation, and accepted the appointment as missionary, he entered upon the duties on the second Sunday in Lent, 3d of March last. The period of service has been so short, that he can have but little to say as to the result of his labors; that little, however, is entirely of an encouraging character, though he has had to encounter *all* the difficulties ordinarily met with in such an undertaking. Still his labors have been blessed, and success, equal to the expectation of the most sanguine friends of the enterprise, has crowned his efforts. A congregation has been informally organised, and known by the name of the "Church of the Ascension," comprising, at present, about 35 families, or parts of families, and giving us an audience of not less, ordinarily, than 120 persons—of whom 21 have become communicants. A *part* of these have withdrawn from the other Episcopal congregations, and the remainder have been found within our bounds, known as the "Northern Liberties," and who have been for a long period, cut off, in a great measure, from the means of grace.

The congregation has been, thus far, rapidly increasing—the responses are very generally and audibly made—and almost every knee is bent in the attitude of prayer.

A subscription has already been commenced for the erection of a Church edifice, which has, so far, met with the response which was anticipated.—A Sunday school, in connexion with the congregation, already numbers 35 scholars, with the prospect of a gradual and permanent increase; while the ladies of the congregation, with a most commendable zeal, have established a Sewing Society, which is already in a most flourishing condition—giving promise not only of temporary aid to the congregation, but of future, and perhaps important, aid to missionary operations. The friends of the enterprise have cause to rejoice and bless the Great Head of the Church, for all His kindness thus far manifested towards them. The service has been performed regularly, morning and afternoon of the Sabbath; and assistance given to the brethren during the week, when requested. Two funerals have been attended, and one child baptized.

Respectfully submitted,

L. I. GILLISS.

May 27th, 1844.

*Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county.*

The rector reports little or no improvement in the general aspect of this parish. Deaths and removals have diminished the number of his hearers at Church Creek—among whom were several warm friends of the Church, whose influence could be ill spared—but in the Lord is our trust—in His own good time He will raise up others to supply their place.

During the past year the routine of ministerial services has been the same as heretofore reported, with the addition of an afternoon appointment at Mr. R. Colston's, about 6 miles from the parish church, (every other Sunday.)

|                                                |           |        |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Communicants—added,                            | - - - - - | 4      |
| “ removed,                                     | - - - - - | 2      |
| “ present number,                              | - - - - - | 20     |
| Baptisms,                                      | - - - - - | 2      |
| Confirmed,                                     | - - - - - | 2      |
| Pecuniary contributions for support of Bishop, | - - - - - | \$9 00 |
| Missionary purposes,                           | - - - - - | 6 98   |
| Incidental expenses about,                     | - - - - - | 20 00  |

We have not yet succeeded in building a house of worship in the village. The call for help was not answered to the necessary extent, and unless our friends come up and that promptly to our aid, the effort must be abandoned for the present. We trust in God for a different result. Only let the friends in other places imitate Cambridge, Cumberland, Frederick City, Calvert, and St. John's in Prince George's, and all will be well! Will they not?

M. HARRIS, *Rector and Missionary.*

*Church Creek.**Christ Church, Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge.*

|               |           |    |
|---------------|-----------|----|
| Marriages,    | . . . . . | 5  |
| Funerals,     | . . . . . | 4  |
| Baptisms,     | . . . . . | 9  |
| Confirmed,    | . . . . . | 6  |
| Communicants, | . . . . . | 50 |

Contributions to church objects not connected with the parish :—

|                                                                    |           |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| To domestic and foreign missionary society of the Church,          | . . . . . | \$80 41½  |
| To aid in building a church at Church Creek, about                 | . . . . . | 100 00    |
| To assist in supporting the rector of a feeble parish in Maryland, | . . . . . | 30 00     |
| To the Prayer Book Society of Maryland,                            | . . . . . | 8 00      |
|                                                                    |           | <hr/>     |
|                                                                    |           | \$218 41½ |

The Church is better attended, and the number of communicants greater than at any former period.

J. A. McKENNEY, *Rector*.

*Cambridge, May, 1844.*

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*East New Market Parish, Dorchester county.*

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 3, colored 7, | 10 |
| Funerals,                    | 2  |
| Marriages,                   | 1  |

ENOCH BAYLEY, *Rector*.

*P. O., Seaford, Del.*

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*All Saints' Parish, Frederick county.*

|                                                                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 22, colored 6,                                              | 28       |
| Communicants—last reported,                                                         | 146      |
| “ added,                                                                            | 9        |
| “ from another parish,                                                              | 2        |
| “ died,                                                                             | 4        |
| “ removed,                                                                          | 6        |
| “ suspended,                                                                        | 1        |
| “ present number,                                                                   | 146      |
| Marriages—white 6, colored 3,                                                       | 9        |
| Funerals “ 9, “ 4,                                                                  | 13       |
| Sunday Schools, 3 in number,—(one of them for colored persons, having 50 scholars.) |          |
| Teachers, in all,                                                                   | 35       |
| Scholars,                                                                           | 160      |
| Contributions, about                                                                | \$450 00 |

J. PETERKIN, *Rector*.

*May, 1844.*

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*Zion Parish, Frederick county.*

From June, 1843, to February, 1844,—at which time I resigned this parish.

|                                        |        |
|----------------------------------------|--------|
| Baptisms—white 2, colored 2,           | 4      |
| Marriage—white,                        | 1      |
| Communicants—removed,                  | 3      |
| “ present number, white 25, colored 3, | 28     |
| Domestic Missions,                     | \$5 00 |

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector*.

*Frederick City, May 28th.*

*St. John's Parish, Havre de Grace.*

|                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Marriages,          | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4  |
| Baptisms,           | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| Funerals,           | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1  |
| Communicants—added, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6  |
| “ died,             | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1  |
| “ present number,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 41 |

It is proper to remark, that about 12 of this number belong to the parish of St. Mary Anne, Cecil county. Having found their names upon the list of communicants furnished to the Bishop from Havre de Grace, the present rector has not felt at liberty to strike them off.

THOMAS BILLOPP, *Rector.*

*St. George's Parish, Harford county.*

|                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Funerals,           | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4  |
| Communicants—added, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2  |
| “ present number,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 13 |

THOMAS BILLOPP, *Rector.*

*Chester Parish, Chestertown.*

An attempt has recently been made to approximate in our practice more closely to the rubrical regulations of the Church; and as the congregation generally, regard the effort with favor, we may hope, by the Divine blessing, that it will prove successful. A few only have, during the year, been added to the communion.

|                        |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Sunday scholars, about | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 70 |
| “ teachers,            | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 11 |
| Communicants,          | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 64 |
| Catechumens,           | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 43 |
| Baptisms,              | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 3  |
| Marriages,             | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 4  |
| Funerals,              | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 2  |

CLEMENT F. JONES, *Rector.*

*St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.*

|                     |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms,           | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 11 |
| Communicants—added, | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 13 |
| “ whole number,     | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 36 |

|                      |    |
|----------------------|----|
| Marriages, . . . . . | 4  |
| Burials, . . . . .   | 4  |
| Confirmed, . . . . . | 11 |

This parish has been a long time comparatively defunct, and the Church in quite a dilapidated condition. The few scattered members who loved the walls of Zion, who have since been collected together, almost despaired of its resuscitation. The effort was made to raise funds, and it in every way exceeded their expectation. Through the indefatigable exertion of my predecessor, and a few zealous laymen and ladies, \$1,500 was raised, which has been increased to \$2,000. The church has been thoroughly repaired and modernized, and during the present year completed, and is now considered to be one of the handsomest country churches in the diocese.

They seem disposed now to do all they can to support the institutions of religion, and keep among them a stated ministry. The size of the congregation has increased considerably; the attendance very good and regular, and the parish is considered by the oldest residents to be in a more prosperous condition than it has been for the last seventy years.

The ladies have taken a very active part in fitting up the drapery of the chancel. They have furnished the pulpit, reading desk, communion table with bibles and prayer books. They have also presented the rector with a handsome set of robes for his use.

A Sunday School has been established, which bids fair to be a blessing to the youthful part of the congregation.

The children are publicly catechised in the church. The attendance is good and the performances are very gratifying.

The rector in taking a review of his labors during the past year, is encouraged, and sees much for which he would be grateful to the Great Head of the Church. There has been considerable interest manifested in spiritual and eternal things, and a number have been added to the communion.

THOMAS B. FLOWER, *Rector.*

*P. O., Chestertown, May 28th, 1844.*

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*Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.*

|                                                |    |
|------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 2, colored 2, . . . . . | 4  |
| “ infants, white 7, colored 7, . . . . .       | 14 |
| Confirmed—white, . . . . .                     | 19 |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .          | 33 |
| “ added, . . . . .                             | 19 |
| “ died, . . . . .                              | 2  |

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Communicants—removed,         | 1  |
| “ present number,             | 49 |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 4, | 8  |
| Funerals—white 5, colored 1,  | 6  |

This parish is in a hopeful state. With the blessing of God on the means provided by the Church, we may see good days, though the present, in some respects, are evil. May the Almighty in his gracious providence hasten the time!

JOHN OWEN, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Georgetown Cross Roads.*

*St Peter's Parish, Montgomery county.*

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 13, colored 14, | 27 |
| Marriages—white 3, colored 2,  | 5  |
| Funerals—white,                | 7  |
| Communicants—died,             | 2  |
| “ removed,                     | 1  |
| “ added,                       | 2  |
| “ present number,              | 59 |

|                                                    |         |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Weekly offerings, including communion collections, | \$30 00 |
| For Church purposes,                               | 14 00   |
| Domestic missions,                                 | 16 00   |

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Rector.*

*Frederick City, May 28th.*

*Queen Ann Parish, Prince George's county.*

The rector reports with much pleasure, that since the last Convention, a division of his extensive parish has been effected, thus constituting out of the one, two distinct and sufficiently large cures,—by which important act, additional facilities will be created for a more frequent attendance on the public services of the sanctuary, and in this manner promote the spiritual and eternal interest of the parishioners. The act will be presented to the Convention about to assemble for ecclesiastical business, for its approval, to go into operation on the *first day* of January, 1845, when the present rector's connexion with his two congregations will terminate, having had them under his charge for 14 years. It is with sincere thanks, and heart-felt gratitude to God, who has sustained him in all his ministerial labors, responsibilities, and trials, he can say, that his parish never exhibited a more flourishing and interesting state than it does at this time. And it is the rector's most devout and fervent prayer,

that the change in its temporal condition may advantageously operate in promoting greater *spiritual* good to the souls of the people, with whom he has been going in and out, preaching the *Gospel of the Kingdom*, and administering the holy rites and sacraments of the Church of our blessed Saviour and Redeemer.

|                                                            |          |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Baptisms—adult 1, infants, white 24, colored 48, . . . . . | 73       |
| Marriages—white 5, colored 11, . . . . .                   | 16       |
| Deaths—white 18, colored 9, . . . . .                      | 27       |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .                      | 93       |
| “ added, . . . . .                                         | 13       |
| “ died, . . . . .                                          | 6        |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                | 100      |
| Instalments on Bishop's Fund, . . . . .                    | \$438 15 |
| Sunday offerings for missions, . . . . .                   | 63 93    |
| Special collection on Palm Sunday, . . . . .               | 32 14    |
| Communicants' collection for Bishop's salary, - . . . .    | 16 43    |
| Convention fund, . . . . .                                 | 14 00    |
|                                                            | <hr/>    |
|                                                            | \$564 70 |

GEORGE L. MACKENHEIMER, *Rector.*

*Good Luck Post Office.*

*St. John's Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                                                   |         |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 18, colored 21, - - - - - | 39      |
| Communicants—last reported, - - - - -             | 78      |
| “ added, - - - - -                                | 5       |
| “ died, - - - - -                                 | 4       |
| “ removed, - - - - -                              | 2       |
| “ present number, - - - - -                       | 77      |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 5, - - - - -           | 9       |
| Funerals, - - - - -                               | 12      |
| Contributions for Missions, - - - - -             | \$15 00 |

The above report embraces the ministerial acts of the late Rector of St. John's Parish, to the fourth Sunday after Easter; although he resigned the parish on Easter Monday. His services during the last Conventional year, were so much interrupted by nearly two months sickness of himself and family, a *necessary* absence of almost three months, and the unusual inclemency of the winter, which rendered the roads almost impassable, that he is obliged to report much less labor performed, and, consequently, less favorable results in the growth and extension of the parish. His services in the destitute neighborhood

called Calvert's Manor, were not held as regularly as during former seasons, for reasons above mentioned ; and the small church, in prospect at his last report for that community, was not commenced. There are several individuals in the parish, desiring the ordinance of confirmation, who, with proper instruction, under the Divine blessing, would soon be qualified for that sacred rite of the Church. It is hoped that the vestry will soon secure a successor, who will occupy this ancient parish, limited in pecuniary means, but having many in its midst, who are animated by the spirit of the Gospel.

EDWIN M. VAN DEUSEN, *late Rector.*

*April 30th, 1844.*

*St. Matthew's Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                               |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms—white 12, colored 8, | - | , | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 2, | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6  |
| Funerals—white,               | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| Communicants—last reported,   | - | - | - | - | - | - | 37 |
| “ dead,                       | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3  |
| “ dropped,                    | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1  |
| “ added,                      | - | - | - | - | - | - | 9  |
| “ present number,             | - | - | - | - | - | - | 36 |

*St. Mark's, Zion Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                                        |   |   |   |   |   |          |
|----------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| Baptisms—white 2, colored 3,           | - | - | - | - | - | 5        |
| Marriages—white,                       | - | - | - | - | - | 3        |
| Funerals—white,                        | - | - | - | - | - | 5        |
| Communicants—last reported,            | - | - | - | - | - | 38       |
| “ dead,                                | - | - | - | - | - | 2        |
| “ added,                               | - | - | - | - | - | 1        |
| “ present number,                      | - | - | - | - | - | 37       |
| Missionary offerings in both parishes, | - | - | - | - | - | \$109 48 |
| For the College of St. James,          | - | - | - | - | - | 18 00    |

WILLIAM PINKNEY.

*St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county.*

|                                         |   |   |   |   |     |
|-----------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| Baptisms—infants, white 25, colored 21, | . | . | . | . | 46  |
| Communicants—last reported,             | . | . | . | . | 147 |
| “ died,                                 | . | . | . | . | 3   |
| “ removed,                              | . | . | . | . | 9.  |



|                               |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|
| Communicants—added,           | 4   |
| “ present number,             | 139 |
| Burials,                      | 6   |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 2, | 3   |

SAMUEL C. KERR.

*Post Office, Nottingham.*

*Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.*

Statistics of the past Conventional year:

|                                                                 |    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 21, colored 38,                                  | 59 |
| Marriages—white 5, colored 9,                                   | 14 |
| Burials—adults, white 9, colored 1—infants, white 3, colored 5, | 18 |
| Communicants—last reported,                                     | 90 |
| “ removed,                                                      | 2  |
| “ added,                                                        | 2  |
| “ died,                                                         | 1  |
| “ colored, about                                                | 20 |
| “ present number,                                               | 93 |

Moneys contributed for charitable and religious purposes, viz:

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Weekly collections,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | \$129 93 |
| Towards building a church in Westminster, Carroll county,<br>of this State,                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 50 00    |
| For a set of the Christian Library, for use of the congrega-<br>tion, and for tracts for general distribution,                                                                                                                                                                       | 30 00    |
| Extra collection on Palm Sunday,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 42 00    |
| Extra collection in aid of Bishop's salary, :                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 11 25    |
| An annual donation of one hundred dollars, placed in the<br>hands of the Rector to be disbursed for the glory of God<br>and the salvation of men, has been by him, according to<br>arrangement, paid over to the Treasurer of the Educa-<br>tion Society of the Diocese of Virginia, | 100 00   |
| A new year's gift, by a lady, to the Missionary and Bible<br>cause,                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 5 00     |
| Payments of principal and interest towards the permanent<br>fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese,                                                                                                                                                                   | 125 98   |

Total, \$494 16

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, Jr., Rector.

May 28th, 1844.

*St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties.*

|                                                                                                                                                                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Baptisms—white 18, colored 36,                                                                                                                                                       | 54       |
| Communicants,                                                                                                                                                                        | 78       |
| “ deceased, white 7, colored 3,                                                                                                                                                      | 10       |
| Marriages—white 6, colored 8,                                                                                                                                                        | 14       |
| Funerals—white 22, colored 12,                                                                                                                                                       | 34       |
| Contributions—To Missions, Foreign and Domestic,                                                                                                                                     | \$100 00 |
| “ To the erection of a Church in Dorchester Parish,                                                                                                                                  | 8 17     |
| “ To the Episcopate,                                                                                                                                                                 | 10 00    |
| “ To the erection of a Parsonage, with all necessary<br>out-houses, enclosing a garden, yard, and lot,<br>and four acres of land, between seventeen and<br>eighteen hundred dollars. |          |

ALEX. M. MARBURY, *Rector.**Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne county.*

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults 1—infants 15, | 16 |
| Marriages,                    | 2  |
| Funerals,                     | 2  |
| Communicants,                 | 10 |
| Sunday scholars,              | 20 |

During the past year, a chapel has been built and consecrated. The parish is in a sound, healthy condition.

NORRIS M. JONES, *Rector.**St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne county.*

Being frequently prevented during the past year, by unavoidable circumstances, from attending at this Church, I resigned a few weeks ago, the rectorship of it, in compliance with what seemed the indications of Providence. The Bishop has since held a confirmation there, when two individuals received the benefits of this solemn rite. About four children have, during the year, been baptized.

CLEMENT F. JONES.

May 27th, 1844.

*St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne county.*

|                                                  |    |
|--------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white adults 1, infants 11, colored 40, | 52 |
| Marriages—white 2, colored 36,                   | 38 |
| Funerals—white 1, colored 1,                     | 2  |

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Communicants—last reported, | 62 |
| “ died,                     | 1  |
| “ removed,                  | 1  |
| “ added,                    | 2  |
| “ present number,           | 62 |

Although the number of communicants is not greater than was reported last year, yet the rector believes this parish to be in a flourishing condition; if many sinners have not been gathered into the ark of CHRIST'S Church, he trusts that believers have been growing in grace and in the knowledge of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. The congregations have been larger and more regular in their attendance than at any previous time since his ministry among them. The amount collected for missionary and other Church purposes has much increased; the salary of the minister has also been more promptly paid than heretofore. The ladies of the parish have recently presented the rector with a handsome gown, and are about providing a new surplice for the desk—they have erected a building for the Sunday School in the rear of the Church, also through their zeal and liberality, a strong and neat paling has been placed around the parsonage garden.

Missionary and other collections about \$180 00

HENRY BROWN, *Rector*.

*Centreville, May 27, 1844.*

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*All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county.*

The following is my parochial report for the last seven months, dating from the last Sunday in October, at which time I became rector of the parish.

|                                        |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants, white 5, colored 13, | 18 |
| Funerals—white 12, colored 13,         | 25 |
| Communicants,                          | 57 |

THOMAS J. WYATT, *Rector*.

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*King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county.*

|                                         |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—infants, white 13, colored 10, | 23 |
| Marriages—white 4, colored 1,           | 5  |
| Funerals—white 8, colored 8,            | 16 |
| Communicants—last reported,             | 66 |
| “ added,                                | 1  |
| “ died,                                 | 2  |
| “ left the parish,                      | 8  |

|                                     |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Communicants—present number,        | 57      |
| Amount of collections for Missions, | \$10 00 |

The connexion of the undersigned with this fine parish will be dissolved on the 2nd June prox.

PHILIP BERRY, *Rector*.

May, 1844.

*St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.*

The undersigned, having received an unanimous invitation of the vestry, entered upon his duties, as rector of St. Andrew's Parish, on the 31st of December, 1843.

His connexion with the parish being of so recent origin, he is, at present, unable to report accurately the number of communicants. The congregations have been, and still continue to be, orderly, regular, and devout in their attendance on the services of the sanctuary; and manifest a steady, zealous, and growing attachment to the ordinances and institutions of the Church.

|                                                               |         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—infants, white 6, colored 1,                         | 7       |
| Communicants—added,                                           | 2       |
| “ died,                                                       | 1       |
| “ removed,                                                    | 2       |
| Marriages—white 1, colored 1,                                 | 2       |
| Funerals—white,                                               | 4       |
| Amount contributed by the communicants to the Episcopal Fund, | \$11 70 |
| W. P. C. JOHNSON, <i>Rector</i> .                             |         |

*Leonardtown.*

*Somerset Parish, Somerset county.*

|                             |       |
|-----------------------------|-------|
| Baptisms—infants,           | 16    |
| Communicants—died,          | 6     |
| “ added,                    | 6     |
| “ present number,           | 89    |
| Marriages,                  | 2     |
| Funerals,                   | 7     |
| Catechumens—of Bible Class, | 15    |
| “ of Sunday School,         | 20—35 |

Communion alms and offertory collections since December 24th, 1843, \$60 00.

The above list includes a report handed me by the Rev. H. Crosdale—of baptisms, 3; marriage, 1; funerals, 5;—and by the Rev. John Crosdale—of baptisms, 5, and funeral, 1, during vacancy in rectorship.

Last Easter Monday, Col. Hill Jones, a long-trying, faithful, and venerable son and servant of the Church, after having served as vestryman from A. D. 1791—more than half a century, on account of years and infirmity, declined serving any longer.

May the blessing of God follow him in his retirement, and may the memory of his consistent and singular devotion to the cause of our LORD and SAVIOUR stimulate others to exhibit like zeal and fidelity!

HARVEY STANLEY, *Rector.*

*Princess Anne.*

*Spring Hill Parish.*

|                                                |           |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Baptisms—adults 12, infants 33, - - - -        | 45        |
| Confirmations, - - - - -                       | 36        |
| Communicants—last reported, - - - -            | 120       |
| “ added by removal, - - - -                    | 4         |
| “ from the congregation, - - - -               | 40        |
| “ total added, - - - -                         | 44        |
| “ died, - - - -                                | 2         |
| “ removed, - - - -                             | 12        |
| “ suspended, - - - -                           | 1         |
| “ present number, - - - -                      | 144       |
| Marriages, - - - -                             | 19        |
| Funerals, - - - -                              | 11        |
| Sunday Schools, - - - -                        | 2         |
| Teachers, - - - -                              | 15        |
| Catechumens, - - - -                           | 52        |
| Weekly Offerings—for General Missions, - - - - | \$19 00   |
| “ for Diocesan Missions, - - - -               | 6 00      |
| “ for the College of St. James, - - - -        | 8 00      |
| “ for other purposes, - - - -                  | 50 00     |
| Collections for Episcopal Fund, - - - -        | 14 87½    |
| “ for Convention Fund, - - - -                 | 6 00      |
| Total, - - - -                                 | \$101 87½ |

A chapel has been commenced in the village of Quantico, and is already covered, and will continue to advance rapidly towards completion. There is a parochial school in this parish, which is under the care of a candidate for holy orders, and is in a flourishing condition. Daily services during the season of Lent, were held in this parish, and attended by regular congregations.

K. J. STEWART, *Rector.*

S. G. CALLAHAN, *Assistant Minister.*

P. O., Salisbury.

*Stepney Parish.*

|                                                  |         |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—infant, . . . . .                       | 9       |
| Confirmations, . . . . .                         | 6       |
| Communicants—last reported, . . . . .            | 11      |
| “ added by removal 8; first time 15, . . . . .   | 23      |
| “ removed, . . . . .                             | 3       |
| “ present number, . . . . .                      | 26      |
| Marriages, . . . . .                             | 1       |
| Funerals, . . . . .                              | 1       |
| Weekly offerings for General Missions, . . . . . | \$4 00  |
| “ College of St. James, . . . . .                | 4 00    |
| “ Diocesan Missions, . . . . .                   | 2 00    |
| Other offerings, . . . . .                       | 20 00   |
|                                                  | <hr/>   |
| Total, . . . . .                                 | \$30 00 |

K. J. STEWART, *Rector.**Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties.*

|                                                                  |    |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults, white 5—infants, white 17, colored 8, . . . . . | 30 |
| Confirmed—white, . . . . .                                       | 5  |
| Communicants—added, . . . . .                                    | 10 |
| “ died, . . . . .                                                | 1  |
| “ removed, . . . . .                                             | 1  |
| “ present number, . . . . .                                      | 67 |
| Marriage, . . . . .                                              | 1  |
| Funerals, . . . . .                                              | 7  |

JOHN CROSDALE, *Rector.**Rahoboth, Somerset county, May, 1844.**St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.*

|                                        |    |
|----------------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—white 4, colored 4, . . . . . | 8  |
| Marriages—colored, . . . . .           | 9  |
| Funeral, . . . . .                     | 1  |
| Communicants, . . . . .                | 40 |

Since the last report one communicant has been added, one has died, and two have removed from the parish.

JOSEPH SPENCER, *Rector.**P. O., St. Michael's.*

*St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.*

|                                                                     |   |   |   |   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------|
| Baptisms—adults 1, infants 43,                                      | - | - | - | - | 44       |
| Confirmed,                                                          | - | - | - | - | 8        |
| Communicants—died,                                                  | - | - | - | - | 3        |
| “ added,                                                            | - | - | - | - | 12       |
| “ present number,                                                   | - | - | - | - | 108      |
| Marriages,                                                          | - | - | - | - | 9        |
| Funerals,                                                           | - | - | - | - | 7        |
| Sunday School teachers,                                             | - | - | - | - | 9        |
| Sunday School scholars,                                             | - | - | - | - | 52       |
| Contributions for Missions and parochial purposes not including the |   |   |   |   |          |
| Episcopal fund,                                                     | - | - | - | - | \$500 00 |

The progress of the Church in this parish, if slow, may be considered certain. It is believed, that there is gradually working in the public mind, the conviction, that she possesses not only the form of godliness, but the power thereof.

Never wholly neglectful, I have this year been more observant than in those past, of the ecclesiastical stations, and have perceived, not only during Lent, but on the Friday of every week, an increasing attendance on public worship.

It is a source of sorrow, that the black population in this parish is yet entirely without the Church's pale, except that the marked preference they give to her baptism, and other signs, afford the hope of better things. Their masters too are becoming awakened to their own interests and duties, in recovering these their dependents, from a fanaticism substituted for real religion, and in opening to them the common door of salvation in the means of grace ordained of God.

It affords me pleasure to state, that the granite church, whose completion was retarded, is well nigh ready for occupation, a few days of faithful workmanship alone being wanted to that desirable end. There will then be a debt of little more than one thousand dollars, to provide for which, the means are such as will soon enable us to cancel the rational objections of our Bishop to consecrate a building burdened with any debt.

HENRY M. MASON, *Rector.*

*Easton, May 28, 1844.*

*St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring.*

|                                       |   |   |   |    |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms—infants, white 5, colored 1, | - | - | - | 6  |
| Communicants—last reported,           | - | - | - | 16 |
| “ added,                              | - | - | - | 3  |

|                                                    |   |   |   |   |   |         |
|----------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---------|
| Communicants—died,                                 | - | - | - | - | - | 1       |
| “ removed,                                         | - | - | - | - | - | 3       |
| “ present number,                                  | - | - | - | - | - | 15      |
| Funerals—white,                                    | - | - | - | - | - | 2       |
| Sunday Schools—male teachers 2, female teachers 5, | - | - | - | - | - | 7       |
| “ male scholars 20, female scholars 20,            | - | - | - | - | - | 40      |
| Amount of collections for Missions,                | - | - | - | - | - | \$20 00 |

Efforts are also being made to get out of debt.

The rector of this flock has rendered them such services as were in his power. He has been cheered with an unusually good attendance upon Church services, and feels assured if there could be a settled pastor here, active and efficient, great good might soon be achieved.

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector*.

*Clear Spring, Washington county, May 29th, 1844.*

*St. Thomas's Church, Hancock, Washington county.*

|                                                                 |         |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| Baptisms—adults, white 18, col'd 2—infants, white 19, col'd 18, | 57      |
| Communicants—last reported,                                     | 67      |
| “ added,                                                        | 21      |
| “ died,                                                         | 2       |
| “ removed,                                                      | 1       |
| “ present number,                                               | 75      |
| Marriages—white 3, colored 4,                                   | 7       |
| Funerals—white 7, colored 4,                                    | 11      |
| Sunday Schools—male teachers 8, female teachers 6,              | 14      |
| “ male scholars 53, female scholars 62,                         | 115     |
| Amount of collections, mostly for Missions,                     | \$65 00 |
| To pay off our church debt we are raising this year,            | 300 00  |

The rector of this congregation rejoices to report a steady, and he trusts a permanent increase in true piety, as in the number of his flock.

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector*.

*Hancock, Washington county.*

*St. John's Parish, Washington county.*

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Baptisms—adults 2, infants 38, | 40 |
| Communicants—removed,          | 10 |
| “ died,                        | 4  |



|                                                              |   |   |   |   |   |          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----------|
| Communicants—suspended,                                      | - | - | - | - | - | 4        |
| “ present number,                                            | - | - | - | - | - | 112      |
| Marriages,                                                   | - | - | - | - | - | 9        |
| Funerals,                                                    | - | - | - | - | - | 12       |
| Weekly offerings for missions,                               | - | - | - | - | - | \$105 74 |
| Collection for temporary fund for the support of the bishop, | - | - | - | - | - | 20 00    |

The rector would also report, that during the past year the parish church has been enlarged and thoroughly repaired. Among the chief improvements which he has thus been able to secure, is a considerable increase in the size and elevation of the Church, and such a modification of its interior arrangements, as conduces not only to its greater convenience, but also enhances the beauty, solemnity, and impressiveness of the holy services of the sanctuary.

A large and pleasant room has been secured at the same time, for the Sunday School, by constructing a basement story in the east end of the building when the extension was made.

A neat and commodious vestry room has also been built, so that every facility is now enjoyed for giving order, completeness, and efficiency to the accustomed services and regulations of the Church.

THEODORE B. LYMAN, *Rector.*

*Hagerstown, May 29th, 1844.*

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*St. John's Parish, Worcester county.*

|                                |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|--------------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Families,                      | - | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| Communicants,                  | - | - | - | - | - | 10 |
| Baptisms—white 13, colored 11, | - | - | - | - | - | 24 |
| Marriages—white 6, colored 6,  | - | - | - | - | - | 12 |
| Funerals,                      | - | - | - | - | - | 8  |
| Scholars in Sunday School,     | - | - | - | - | - | 35 |
| Teachers,                      | - | - | - | - | - | 6  |

The parish church (mentioned in my last report) is now nearly completed, and, we hope, will be consecrated in June. The attendance on the services during the past year has uniformly been good, and the congregations large.—And we trust that there is a wide field opened of much good to be done in the name of the LORD JESUS.

JOHN P. ROBINS, *Minister.*

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The undersigned would respectfully report to the bishop, that during the interval from the last Convention to his election as assistant minister of All

Saints' Parish, the 1st of November, 1843, he performed the following clerical services :

He supplied the place of the rector of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, for three weeks, during his absence on account of ill health,—and administered public baptism to five infants, which are, of course, reported by the rector. He preached several times in St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, and Christ Church Parish, Calvert county, during their vacancy,—and in the latter of them, solemnised one funeral and one marriage. In All Saints' and other parishes in the diocese, he performed, by request of rectors, services which it is unnecessary to report, on almost every Sunday until the 1st of September, from which time to the 1st of November, domestic affliction and private business necessarily precluded official duties.

Respectfully submitted by

JOHN H. CHEW, *Deacon.*

The Missionary in charge of the congregation in Hungary Neck, Somerset county, respectfully reports to the Bishop :

|               |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Baptisms,     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4  |
| Funerals,     | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4  |
| Catechumens,  | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 14 |
| Communicants, | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 19 |

HENRY CROSDALE, *Missionary.*

*P. O., Princess Ann, Somerset county.*

In compliance with the canons of the Church, I humbly report, that since last October I have endeavored to discharge the duties of an Instructor at the College of St. James, Fountain Rock, in the Parish of St. John, Washington county.

Previous to my station at said college, I assisted the Bishop in the Divine service held at the special ordination in St. James's Church, Baltimore.

In the celebration of Divine service on the Lord's Day, as well as on Saints' Days, I also generally assist in the college-chapel.

ADOLPH FROST, *Deacon.*

*Baltimore, 1st Ember Day, May, 1844.*

*Right Rev. and Dear Sir :*

In presenting to you a brief sketch of my proceedings for the past year, I report—

|                                                               |        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| Baptisms, . . . . .                                           | 1      |
| Communicants, . . . . .                                       | 3      |
| Candidates for confirmation, . . . . .                        | 4      |
| Contributed to the Bishop's Fund, . . . . .                   | \$5 00 |
| “                      Diocesan Missionary Society, . . . . . | 5 00   |

My missionary labors have been continued with as much regularity as feeble health and remoteness of residence from the field of duty, would permit, and although no very abundant fruits have been reaped, still many circumstances have occurred to encourage the prosecution of the work which you have committed to my trust. The statistical review here exhibited, shows at once the low and depressed state of this part of your diocese, and leaves but little room to expect much from it in any way for some time to come. Indeed, considering the long period during which the old parish of St. John's has been without a rector, and the ruined condition of its churches, it is matter of wonder that a single individual should have been found belonging to it, or any remaining vestige appear of its former-existence. There are still, however, as it seems, a few scattering members within its limits, who, amid all the discouragements which they have had to encounter, have continued firm to their principles; and the extension to them even of occasional services, has been, by their own acknowledgment, a cause of much gratification and joy. Yet they are too weak and feeble a body, to do any thing very efficient towards a general revival of the parish, and their eyes accordingly, look to others for that helping hand, which, in the possession of greater ability, they would most willingly, under like circumstances of want, put forth to them. We have only, therefore, in consideration of the extremely destitute and needy state of things here, to lift up the voice of entreaty, and earnestly request both the prayers and the pecuniary aid of all the members of our communion, in its behalf. To procure means at once, sufficient to rebuild both the dilapidated churches, is a thing which is not for a moment to be expected; but if even a small portion of the amount of what is annually sent out from within our own bosom, for sacred objects, could be applied to this station, provided such a disposal of the funds in question would meet with the approbation of all concerned, it would do much towards the restoration of one of the two, and thus, in this manner, we should, in all probability, witness before a great while, the reconstruction of one rightful altar at least among us, and the presence and operation of the divinely appointed means of salvation, in a quarter where they have long ceased to exist. O! then, may the Lord arise and have mercy upon Zion, and may the time be at hand for the accomplishment of that heavenly purpose; for truly her

few surviving servants are thinking upon her stones, and it pitieth them to see her so deeply in the dust.

With feelings of great respect, I remain, most truly and affectionately yours,

**ROBT. W. GOLDSBOROUGH,**

*Missionary officiating in Caroline county, E. S. Maryland.*

*Post Office for the present, Easton.*

*May 28th, 1844.*

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The undersigned respectfully submits to the Bishop the following report of ministerial duties performed by him, since his ordination to the diaconate, at the Ember season of September, 1843.

Immediately after my ordination, I took charge of Holy Trinity Parish, Carroll county; with the missionary stations at Westminster, Carroll county, and Lisbon, Howard district, at the request of the minister, Rev. D. H. Buel, and remained in charge of the same six weeks, during his absence, while at this station. I said the service and preached four times in the church of the Holy Trinity, twice in Westminster, and once in Lisbon. On the Feast of All Saints, said morning prayer and assisted the bishop in the administration of the Holy Communion in Lisbon.

On the 22d Sunday after Trinity, I commenced holding regular services at a new missionary station at Huntingdon, one of the suburbs of Baltimore, which I have continued to this time, with the assistance, at first, on alternate weeks, of a lay reader.

Near this station, there are several Church families, and about twenty-three baptised members of the Church, who are able to attend service at no other place. In addition to these, there are a number of other Church families belonging to congregations in town, that attend service at Huntingdon, and are interested in the prosperity of the mission. There is a class of fourteen catechumens taught on Saturday. I have received ten children into the Church by holy baptism. Five persons have received the Holy Communion, for the first time, at St. Paul's Church, since the mission was commenced.

Sufficient progress has been made in collecting subscriptions for building a church, to warrant the confident expectation that one will be erected during the present summer. The members of the mission congregation have contributed to this object with praiseworthy liberality, and there has also been a collection for the missions of the Church, of \$8 16.

In addition, I have the following occasional services to report.—Said the service at Mount Calvary mission room, on Sundays, fifteen times; assisted

twice in the administration of the Holy Communion : preached thirteen times ; said the whole, or part of the service, on Sundays and holy days, ten times ; assisted once in the Holy Communion, and preached seven times at St. Stephen's Church ; said the service and preached twice in Westminster, and assisted in the Holy Communion and preached once at Trinity Church, Carroll county ; preached twice at St. Paul's, Baltimore ; said the service once on Sunday, and preached twice at St. Peter's ; preached once at Witch-Bridge, Somerset county ; also occasionally officiated at the daily service at St. Stephen's Church, and Mount Calvary mission room.

All which is respectfully submitted to the Bishop,

N. AUGUSTUS HEWITT, *Deacon*.

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*To the Rt. Rev. Bishop Whittingham :*

Dear Sir,—I beg leave to report, that during the past twelve months I have been absent from the country with a view to the benefit of my health. This having been, through the Divine blessing, materially improved, I have accepted a call to St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county. My connexion with the parish has been so recent, that I have as yet performed no duties, except the usual services on the Lord's Day.

Respectfully, &c.

May 29, 1844.

JOHN F. HOFF.

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*To the Rt. Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, D. D., Bishop of Maryland :*

The undersigned, in accordance with the canon, respectfully represents to the Bishop that since the 14th November, 1843, he has been without any parochial charge, and has officiated occasionally in this city, and other places in the Diocese, by reading prayers, preaching, and assisting in the administration of the Holy Communion ;—in all, thirty-seven times.

JOHN W. HOFFMAN, *Presbyter*.

Baltimore, May 29, 1844.

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*Annapolis, Anne Arundel county.*

*Right Reverend and Dear Sir,*

Under the canon requiring clergymen who have no cures, to make known to the Bishop any occasional services which they may perform, I report the following : I have preached nineteen times in St. Anne's Church, at Annapolis ; in St. Stephen's Church, Severn Parish, three times, and once in the chapel in the same Parish ; in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, once ; in St.

John's Church, Washington, once ; and in All Hallows' Church, South River, twice, namely, on Whitsunday, June 4th, 1843, and on the same festival, in the present month. On both these occasions I administered the Holy Communion. I have administered the Communion once in St. Anne's, at Annapolis, in which parish I have also baptised three children. This is all the clerical duty that I have performed during the past year ; Baptisms administered, three ; Communion, three ; Sermons preached, twenty-seven.

Be pleased, Right Rev. and dear Sir, to accept assurances of my most cordial respect and esteem.

HECTOR HUMPHREYS,

*President of St. John's College.*

*May 28, 1844.*

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*Baltimore, May 29th, 1844.*

*To the Right Rev. the Bishop of Maryland :*

The undersigned, the Rector of the College of St. James, in Washington county, in compliance with the canonical requisition, reports :— that so far as his health has allowed he has continued in the active discharge of his official duties. Ill health has, however, rendered necessary his absence from the College during the months of October and November, and again during this present and the preceding month. Rest and relaxation have already, by the Divine blessing, so much improved his health, that he has now full confidence of being able after a time, to resume his duties at the College with full vigor for their discharge. In the meanwhile, the good management of the Institution is secured by the appointment of a faithful and experienced Vice-Rector, the Rev. Mr. Riley, formerly of the Diocese of New York.

When at home, beside the general control of the College, the undersigned has shared as largely as health allowed, in the ministerial services of the College chapel, and the religious instruction of the students. He has there administered the Holy Communion at the stated times, and baptised one adult and one infant. He has also once administered the Holy Communion, and once assisted in the same in the city of Newport ; officiated several times in the services of the Church at sea ; and baptised one infant in the city of Dublin by the permission of the Archbishop of that diocese.

Very respectfully, &c.

JOHN B. KERFOOT.

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The Rev. Charles E. Pleasants reports, that in November last he was compelled by a violent attack of sickness, to resign Saint Andrew's Parish. Since

that time he has been generally engaged on Sundays in the duties of his ministry, as health and circumstances have permitted.

*Philadelphia, May 25th, 1844.*

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The undersigned begs leave to report to his Bishop his clerical services, from his ordination in October last up to this period. He has assisted the Rev. J. N. McJilton at St. James's (African) Protestant Episcopal Church in the Sunday School, and in the other services of the Church as follows: taught the school nearly every Lord's Day—preached 40 times—read service 44 times—assisted in the administration of the holy Eucharist 8 times—and baptised 3 children.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELIE WORTHINGTON STOKES, *Deacon.*

*Assistant of the Rector of St. James's Church.*

*Baltimore, May 28th, 1844.*

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*From the report of the Rev. Fitch W. Taylor, Chaplain U. S. Navy.*

*New York, May 2nd, 1844.*

*Right Reverend and dear Sir,*

Since I left my pastoral charge in the Diocese of Maryland, I have made a voyage around the world. During that period, it has been within my opportunity to preach in almost every sea, and in almost every land of our world; and not unfrequently, under circumstances of much interest. At the same time, I have had the opportunity of personally witnessing the operations of the Christian missions in foreign countries, not only of our own Church, but those established by other denominations; and receiving the courtesies of the clergy of our mother Church wherever I have met them, especially in their chaplaincies established in every quarter of the globe, and in a degree of no small munificence, in the East Indies. There is one peculiarity of our Church, which contributed not a little to the agreeableness of this clerical association abroad—I allude to the fact of there existing a sympathy, amounting to a positive impulse of kindness, between the Protestant Episcopal Church of England and America. An English Bishop or clergyman abroad, regards an American churchman as one in religious matters, with himself; and sometimes yields to the American Prayer Book a preference, in some of its verbal alterations, to the standard from which it slightly deviates in some of its minutia, and to which the present Church conforms.

During my passage around the world, I also found, that it was a matter of interest, not unfrequently, at some of the distant stations of Americans from

their native country, to enjoy an opportunity on their part, of having their children baptised by an American clergyman; and in some instances also, in having their marriages solemnised by a clergyman from their own country. And in some Catholic countries that I visited, it would have been deemed imprudent for a Protestant clergyman, otherwise than one attached to one of our national vessels, to have solemnised the nuptials of American citizens, resident in the places alluded to, where the laws confined the right of performing the marriage ceremonies to the Catholic priests.

During the voyage already alluded to, and since I left the Diocese of Maryland, I have had the melancholy duty of consigning to their final rest of the land, and *un-rest* of the ocean, more than one hundred persons, who have changed this state for the world to come. A number of marriages and baptisms I have also celebrated, in the course of my duties connected with my station at Boston, and, of late, at New York; the latter city being my present location.

It would gratify me, here to enter into a specification of some of the duties particularly and in some degree peculiarly associated with a chaplaincy in the Navy. It might, at the same time, lead to a more definite and more accurate estimate of the importance of the position, than is always entertained. It would, however, extend this communication to a greater length than I have proposed to send you, at this moment. It gratifies me to know, and it will give you pleasure to learn, that some of the officers of the Navy with whom it has been my privilege and pleasure to associate, have become members of the Church, with evidences of a right appreciation of the principles and requirements of the Gospel, in their bearing upon the personal character and example of those, who profess to be influenced by those principles and obligations.

Allow me, my dear Bishop, to express the continued and deep interest I feel in the best welfare of your diocese, and personally, for your own happiness and success, as you move through its borders, on your episcopal visitations.

Faithfully yours,

FITCH W. TAYLOR.

Rt. Rev. WM. R. WHITTINGHAM, D. D., *Bishop of the Diocese of Md.*

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The undersigned would respectfully report to his Bishop, that since the last Convention, he has officiated regularly in the chapel of the College of St. James, and in the parish of St John's, Washington county. He has performed three infant baptisms, and attended one funeral, (both of these services are included in the report of the rector of St. John's.) In the diocese of New York, he baptised four infants and two adults. Until a very recent period, he has held regular services in the Methodist meeting house in Williamsport.

All which is respectfully submitted.

May 29th, 1844.

RUSSELL TREVETT, *Presbyter.*



George F. Worthington very respectfully reports to the Bishop, that he has recently undertaken to organise a new congregation, called St. Timothy's, at Catonsville, Baltimore county, with fair prospects of success. It would scarcely be safe as yet to make a prediction as to the number who will be regularly in attendance, but there are already about a dozen communicants, and more than forty Sunday scholars. A house of worship, for which an eligible site has been obtained, will probably be commenced in a very short time; and it is in contemplation to open a parochial school in the course of a few weeks.

*Catonsville, May, 1844.*

Dr. *Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Md., in account with R. H. OWEN, Treasurer. Cr.*

| 1843.    |                                                                                                                                   | 1843.      |            | 1843.                                                                             |            |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| June 8   | Paid J. Merriken, Sexton St. Paul's Church,                                                                                       | \$20 00    | May 31     | By balance, as per statement this date on the                                     |            |
| " 23     | R. M. Hall, postage account, -                                                                                                    | 1 52       | Journal, - |                                                                                   | \$1,056 90 |
| " 29     | Treasurer of the P. P. Synod, -                                                                                                   | 187 00     | June 1     | Committee to receive Parochial Contributions, -                                   | 375 17     |
| " 30     | Rev. Dr. Johns, attending General Con.                                                                                            | 20 00      | " 14       | Contributions paid Treasurer to this date, as specified on the Journal of 1843, - | 117 50     |
| July 8   | Dr. Colburn, Secretary, copying Journal of the Convention of 1842, -                                                              | 25 00      | July 1     | Interest on Corporation Stock, to this date inclusive, -                          | 30 00      |
| " 11     | Rev. Mr. McKenny, attend'g Stand. Com.                                                                                            | 17 00      |            | Interest on Stock from 1st July, 1843, not drawn.                                 |            |
| " 20     | Rev. L. I. Gillis, -                                                                                                              | 8 00       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 20     | Rev. C. F. Jones, -                                                                                                               | 14 00      |            |                                                                                   |            |
| Aug. 3   | Rev. Dr. Mason, for services, -                                                                                                   | 6 50       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 4      | Joe. Robinson, for 1250 copies of the Journal for 1843; 1250 of the Rev. Dr. Henshaw's Sermon; and 2000 of the Bishop's Charge, - | 322 21     |            |                                                                                   |            |
| Sept. 5  | Rev. Mr. Hawley, twice attend. St. Com.                                                                                           | 12 00      |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 15     | Rev. Mr. Gillies, attending St. Com.                                                                                              | 8 00       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 15     | H. Colburn, Sec., transcrib'g Journal 1843,                                                                                       | 25 00      |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 15     | H. Colburn, for Stationery, &c. -                                                                                                 | 3 65       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| Dec. 14  | Rev. W. Hawley, attending St. Com.                                                                                                | 6 50       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 14     | Rev. L. I. Gillis, -                                                                                                              | 7 00       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| 1844.    |                                                                                                                                   |            |            |                                                                                   |            |
| April 30 | " C. F. Jones, -                                                                                                                  | 17 88      |            |                                                                                   |            |
| May 28   | Dr. Colburn, Secretary, postage, &c.                                                                                              | 2 88       |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 28     | \$1000 Corporation Stock, cost                                                                                                    | \$695 00   |            |                                                                                   |            |
| " 28     | Cash in hand, -                                                                                                                   | 180 43     |            |                                                                                   |            |
|          |                                                                                                                                   | 875 43     |            |                                                                                   |            |
|          |                                                                                                                                   | \$1,579 57 |            |                                                                                   | \$1,579 57 |

## APPENDIX.

E. E. BALTIMORE, May 29th, 1844.

R. H. OWEN, Treasurer.

*Statement of Receipts and Investments of the Permanent Fund of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Maryland since Convention of May, 1843, to 28th May, 1844, inclusive.*

| 1843.                   |                                                                                               | Investments. | Receipts.   |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| May 30                  | These amounts reported to Board of Trustees,                                                  | \$15,595 45  | \$17,946 37 |
| June 1                  | By cash received of Somerset Parish, Somerset county, at Convention,                          |              | 67 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. John's, Georgetown, at Convention,                                    |              | 10 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Bartholomew, Montgomery county, at Convention,                        |              | 16 50       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel, at Convention,        |              | 37 50       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles counties, at Convention,   |              | 19 70       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county, at Convention,                       |              | 18 77       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,                 |              | 162 00      |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, at Convention,                  |              | 63 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,                       |              | 36 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, at Convention,                       |              | 37 67       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Matthews and St. Marks Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention, |              | 24 50       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Worcester Parish, Worcester county, at Convention,                        |              | 2 50        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Christ Church, Georgetown, at Convention,                                 |              | 203 00      |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,                           |              | 23 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,                         |              | 212 50      |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. John's Parish, Washington, D. C., at Convention,                      |              | 93 60       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Zion Parish, Frederick county, at Convention,                             |              | 8 43        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of William and Mary's Parish, Charles county, at Convention,                 |              | 32 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,                  |              | 15 00       |
| Amount carried forward, |                                                                                               | \$15,595 45  | \$19,079 04 |

|                         |                                                                                                                                                                      | Investments. | Receipts.    |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1843.                   | Amount brought forward,                                                                                                                                              | \$ 15,595 45 | \$ 19,079 04 |
| June 1                  | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Queen Ann county, at Convention,                                                                                              |              | 75 40        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. John's Parish, Harford county, at Convention,                                                                                                |              | 101 67       |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention,                                                                                        |              | 20 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. James Parish, Anne Arundel, at Convention,                                                                                                   |              | 12 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, at Convention,                                                                                                     |              | 40 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,                                                                                               |              | 25 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Sherwood Church, Baltimore county, at Convention,                                                                                                |              | 9 00         |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,                                                                                        |              | 39 18        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,                                                                                           |              | 97 30        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Trinity Parish, Charles county, at Convention,                                                                                                   |              | 7 00         |
| " 1                     | By cash received of All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,                                                                                              |              | 41 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,                                                                                               |              | 4 00         |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,                                                                                               |              | 1 50         |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. John's Church, Baltimore, at Convention,                                                                                                     |              | 10 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash received of St. Matthew and St. Mark's, Prince George's county, at Convention,                                                                               |              | 5 00         |
| " 1                     | By cash received of Chester Parish, Kent county, at Convention,                                                                                                      |              | 55 00        |
| " 7                     | To \$4,000 6 per cent. Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bond, No. 749, with interest from the 1st April, 1843, payable in 1854, purchased of Samuel Harris & Son at par, | 4,000 00     |              |
| " 8                     | By cash received of William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, per Bishop,                                                                                          |              | 4 52         |
| " 8                     | By cash received of Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro',                                                                                                                 |              | 50 00        |
| " 8                     | By cash received of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county,                                                                                                             |              | 7 40         |
| " 12                    | By cash received of Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish,                                                                                                            |              | 2 50         |
| " 19                    | By cash received of All Saints' Parish, Calvert county,                                                                                                              |              | 6 00         |
| Amount carried forward, |                                                                                                                                                                      | \$ 19,595 45 | \$ 19,692 51 |

|         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | Investments. | Receipts.    |
|---------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1843.   | Amount brought forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | \$ 19,595 00 | \$ 19,692 51 |
| June 29 | By cash received of Convention of the<br>Episcopate of Maryland, per R.H. Owen,<br>Treasurer,                                                                                                                                                   |              | 187 00       |
| " 30    | By cash received of St. Paul's Church,<br>Baltimore,                                                                                                                                                                                            |              | 105 00       |
| July 7  | By cash received of St. John's Parish,<br>Baltimore and Harford counties,                                                                                                                                                                       |              | 3 00         |
| " 10    | By cash received of St. Anne's Parish,<br>Annapolis,                                                                                                                                                                                            |              | 20 00        |
| Aug. 1  | By cash received of St. Matthew and St.<br>Mark's Parish, Prince George's,                                                                                                                                                                      |              | 13 80        |
| " 4     | By cash received of William and Mary<br>Parish, St. Mary's county,                                                                                                                                                                              |              | 10 00        |
| " 7     | By cash received of Great Choptank Pa-<br>rish, Cambridge,                                                                                                                                                                                      |              | 82 00        |
| " 9     | By cash received of All Saints' Church,<br>Frederick,                                                                                                                                                                                           |              | 171 90       |
| " 22    | By cash received of Christ Church, Bal-<br>timore,                                                                                                                                                                                              |              | 3 00         |
| Oct. 3  | By cash received of St. John's Church,<br>Georgetown,                                                                                                                                                                                           |              | 5 00         |
| " 12    | By cash received of Queen Anne's Parish,<br>Prince George's,                                                                                                                                                                                    |              | 91 50        |
| Nov. 6  | 4 certificates of State of Maryland 6 per<br>cent stock, viz:                                                                                                                                                                                   | \$ 19,595 45 |              |
|         | 1 certificate for \$1,665 33                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              |              |
|         | 1 " for 1,200 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |              |
|         | 1 " for 1,130 60                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |              |
|         | 1 " for 2,952 62                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              |              |
|         | <u>\$6,948 55</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |              |              |
|         | Sold by Townsend Scott at 2<br>70 cents for the dollar, is } \$4,863 98                                                                                                                                                                         |              |              |
|         | \$2,865 33 cost \$2,680 80 is 93 56 per \$100                                                                                                                                                                                                   |              |              |
|         | 4,083 22 " 3,613 65 is 88 50 per \$100                                                                                                                                                                                                          |              |              |
|         | <u>\$6,948 55 cost \$6,294 45</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                               |              |              |
| " 6     | 1 certificate of State of Maryland<br>5 per cent stock for \$2,000,<br>sold by T. Scott, at 58½ for<br>the dollar,                                                                                                                              | \$1,166 67   | 6,030 65     |
|         | <u>\$2,000 cost 1,460 is \$73 per \$100.</u>                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              | 13,564 80    |
| " 27    | To this amount, for annual ground, rent of<br>\$16 per annum on lot of ground on Long<br>alley, between Saratoga street and Lex-<br>ington market, Baltimore, taken from<br>Christian Keener, Esq., in part payment<br>of his note for \$1,450, |              | 266 66       |
|         | Amount carried forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | \$ 13,831 46 | \$ 20,384 71 |

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Investments. | Receipts.   |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1843.    | Amount brought forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$13,831 46  | \$20,384 71 |
| Nov. 27  | To this amount loaned Robert W. Bowie, Esq., on his three notes dated 27th November, 1843, at 2, 3, and 4 years, secured by a judgment in Prince George's county, for \$6,105 89—with R. W. Bowie's sixteen promissory notes, endorsed by Geo. Rust, Jr., payable every three months, for interest on above loan, | 6,105 89     |             |
| " 30     | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |              | 120 00      |
| Dec. 20  | By cash received of Chester Parish, Kent county,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |              | 77 60       |
| 1844.    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |              |             |
| Jan. 17  | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              | 13 38       |
| Feb. 14  | By cash received of Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George's county,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |              | 100 00      |
| " 21     | To cash paid Rev. Mr. Keppler, say 6 per cent. on \$2,389 17 collected by him in Baltimore,                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | 143 35       |             |
| " 29     | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, \$260 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |              |             |
| " 29     | By cash received of St Peter's Church, Baltimore, 80 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |              | 340 00      |
| March 1  | By cash received of All Saints' Church, Frederick,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |              | 49 30       |
| " 8      | By cash received of William and Mary Parish, Charles county,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |              | 5 00        |
| " 20     | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, \$465 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |              |             |
| " 20     | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, 190 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |              |             |
| " 20     | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, 265 00                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |              | 920 00      |
| " 20     | To cash paid Rev. Mr. Worthington, say 5 per cent. on \$1,098 78, collected by him in Baltimore,                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 54 94        |             |
| April 22 | By cash received of Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |              | 22 50       |
| " 22     | By cash received of St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |              | 30 00       |
| " 29     | To cash paid for certificate of 6 per cent. debt of Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Company, Bond No. 879, with interest from 1st April, 1844, payable quarterly, for \$2,530 at 105 per cent. for \$100, bought of S. Harris & Son,                                                                                 | 2,656 50     |             |
|          | Amount carried forward,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$22,792 94  | \$22,062 49 |

|          |                                                                                                                   | Investments. | Receipts.   |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------|
| 1844.    | Amount brought forward,                                                                                           | \$22,792 94  | \$22,062 49 |
| April 30 | To cash allowed Rev. Mr. Worthington, say 5 per cent. on \$899 05 collected by him on subscriptions in Baltimore, |              |             |
| " 30     | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, \$585 00                                                        | 44 95        |             |
| " 30     | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, 110 00                                                         |              |             |
| " 30     | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, 125 00                                                              |              |             |
|          |                                                                                                                   |              | 820 00      |
| May 25   | To cash allowed Rev. Geo. F. Worthington, say 5 per cent. on \$1,009 90 collected by him in Baltimore,            | 50 48        |             |
| " 28     | By cash received of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, \$525 00                                                        |              |             |
| " 28     | By cash received of Christ Church, Baltimore, 300 00                                                              |              |             |
| " 28     | By cash received of St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, 195 00                                                         |              |             |
|          |                                                                                                                   |              | 1,020 00    |
|          |                                                                                                                   | \$22,887 57  | \$23,902 49 |

JACOB ALBERT, *Treasurer.*

BALTIMORE, *May 28th, 1844.*

*Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Temporary or Interest Fund, for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland, from Convention of May, 1843, to 28th. May, 1844, inclusive.*

| 1843.                   |                                                                                                  | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| May 30                  | These amounts reported to the Board of Trustees,                                                 | \$5,270 00     | \$ 3,905 72 |
| June 1                  | By cash from a gentleman at Convention,                                                          |                | 25 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from a communicant of the Church,                                                        |                | 5 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash from a thank offering for ministerial services rendered a deceased member of the Church, |                | 10 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county, from communicants, at Convention,                 |                | 29 95       |
| " 1                     | By cash from All Saints' Parish, Frederick county, at Convention,                                |                | 18 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county, at Convention,                                |                | 9 50        |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, at Convention,                            |                | 12 50       |
| " 1                     | By cash from Trinity Parish, Washington county, at Convention,                                   |                | 92 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties, at Convention,               |                | 5 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash from Queen Ann Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,                            |                | 12 70       |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. John's Church, Baltimore county, at Convention,                                 |                | 2 50        |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,                                 |                | 10 50       |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore, at Convention,                                      |                | 45 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from Christ Church, Emmanuel Parish, at Convention,                                      |                | 2 50        |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's county, at Convention,                              |                | 20 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. John's Parish, Washington county, at Convention,                                |                | 46 34       |
| " 1                     | By cash from Trinity Parish, Baltimore and Carroll counties, at Convention,                      |                | 5 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. John's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,                           |                | 8 00        |
| " 1                     | By cash from Epiphany Church, Washington, at Convention,                                         |                | 33 00       |
| " 1                     | By cash from St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,                             |                | 4 00        |
| Amount carried forward, |                                                                                                  | \$5,270 00     | \$4,302 21  |



|                         |                                                                                                    | Disbursements. | Receipts.   |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1843.                   | Amount brought forward,                                                                            | \$ 5,270 00    | \$ 4,302 21 |
| June                    | 1 By cash from St. John's Church, Wash-<br>ington, at Convention,                                  |                | 30 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. James's Parish, Bal-<br>timore county, at Convention,                           |                | 14 32       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Sherwood Church, Baltimore<br>county, at Convention,                                |                | 15 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from 'Trinity Church, Upper<br>Marlboro,' at Convention,                                 |                | 9 00        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Thomas' Parish, Han-<br>cock, at Convention,                                    |                | 20 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Mary's and Trinity Pa-<br>rishes, Cecil county, at Convention,                  |                | 16 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Andrew's Parish, St.<br>Mary's county, at Convention,                           |                | 5 50        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Shrewsbury Parish, Kent<br>county, at Convention,                                   |                | 18 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Thomas' Parish, Balti-<br>more county, at Convention,                           |                | 10 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles<br>county, at Convention,                                   |                | 7 80        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Chester Parish, Kent county,<br>at Convention,                                      |                | 24 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince<br>George's county, at Convention,                        |                | 6 00        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Peter's Church, Balti-<br>more, at Convention,                                  |                | 25 50       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Somerset Parish, Somerset<br>county, at Convention,                                 |                | 26 50       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, George-<br>town, D. C., at Convention,                           |                | 2 40        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Christ Church, Queen Ca-<br>roline Parish, A. A. co. at Convention,                 |                | 18 70       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Prince<br>George's and Charles counties, at Con-<br>vention,     |                | 5 40        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Queen Anne's Parish, Prince<br>George's county, at Convention,                      |                | 36 36       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Baltimore<br>county, at Convention,                              |                | 5 10        |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Church, Queen<br>Caroline Parish, at Convention,                         |                | 13 44       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot<br>county, at Convention,                              |                | 18 48       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Port Tobacco Parish, at Con-<br>vention,                                            |                | 30 10       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's<br>Parishes, Prince George's county, at Con-<br>vention, |                | 28 10       |
| Amount carried forward, |                                                                                                    | \$5,270 00     | \$4,687 91  |

|                         |                                                                                       | Disbursements. | Receipts.  |
|-------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| 1849.                   | Amount brought forward,                                                               | \$ 5,270 00    | \$4,687 91 |
| June                    | 1 By cash from Worcester Parish, Worcester, county, at Convention,                    |                | 1 10       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Christ Church, Georgetown, at Convention,                              |                | 28 08      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Havre de Grace, at Convention,                      |                | 5 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Rock Creek Parish, D. C., at Convention,                               |                | 10 00      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,                     |                | 4 20       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,                      |                | 52 25      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Washington county, at Convention,                   |                | 56 05      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Zion Parish, Frederick county, at Convention,                          |                | 3 74       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Spring Hill and Stepney Parishes, Somerset county, at Convention,      |                | 9 00       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from William and Mary Parish, Charles county, at Convention,                |                | 22 78      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,               |                | 5 75       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Harford county, at Convention,                      |                | 15 10      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,              |                | 5 70       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Prince George's and Montgomery Parishes, at Convention,                |                | 12 35      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,                |                | 34 57      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis, at Convention,                           |                | 19 20      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention, |                | 20 00      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,                     |                | 16 00      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Sherwood Church, Baltimore county, at Convention,                      |                | 4 32       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Severn Church, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,                     |                | 6 25       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county, at Convention,              |                | 32 37      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,                 |                | 18 18      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, at Convention,                         |                | 12 00      |
| Amount carried forward, |                                                                                       | \$5,270 00     | \$5,081 90 |

|                         |                                                                                               | Disbursements. | Receipts.  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| 1843.                   | Amount brought forward,                                                                       | \$5,270 00     | \$5,081 90 |
| June                    | 1 By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles county, at Convention,                                 |                | 5 28       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from All Faith's Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,                          |                | 7 70       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,                             |                | 2 25       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Church, Baltimore county, at Convention,                            |                | 4 80       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark, Prince George's, at Convention,                      |                | 5 10       |
| "                       | 1 By cash from Chester Parish, Kent county, at Convention,                                    |                | 12 60      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,                             |                | 81         |
| June                    | 5 By cash from Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county,                     |                | 1 00       |
| "                       | 8 By cash from William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, from communicants,                 |                | 9 25       |
| "                       | 8 By cash from Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro',                                               |                | 24 57      |
| "                       | 8 By cash from William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county,                                    |                | 12 43      |
| "                       | 8 By cash from dividends on State of Maryland 5 and 6 per cent. stock,                        |                | 328 24     |
| "                       | 12 By cash from Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county,                    |                | 1 40       |
| "                       | 17 By cash from St. James's Church, West River,                                               |                | 5 00       |
| "                       | 19 By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county,                                           |                | 3 60       |
| "                       | 30 By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                 |                | 43 60      |
| July                    | 7 By cash from St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties,                             |                | 2 10       |
| "                       | 7 By cash from dividend \$13,356 08 Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds,                       |                | 200 34     |
| "                       | 10 By cash from St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis,                                                 |                | 10 00      |
| "                       | 10 By cash from Church of Ascension, Baltimore,                                               |                | 22 00      |
| "                       | 14 To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one quarter's salary in advance, from 17th June, 1843, | 750 00         |            |
| "                       | 28 By cash from St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties,                            |                | 4 00       |
| Aug.                    | 1 By cash from St. Matthew and St. Mark's, Prince George's,                                   |                | 11 20      |
| "                       | 1 By cash from dividend on State of Maryland 5 and 6 per cent stock,                          |                | 201 60     |
| "                       | 1 By cash from St. John's Parish, Prince George's and Charles county,                         |                | 3 00       |
| Amount carried forward, |                                                                                               | \$6,020 00     | \$6,003 57 |

|          |                                                                                           | Disbursements. | Receipts.  |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|
| 1843.    | Amount brought forward,                                                                   | \$6,020 00     | \$6,003 57 |
| Aug. 2   | By cash from Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish,                                        |                | 5 00       |
| " 4      | By cash from William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county,                                  |                | 5 40       |
| " 7      | By cash from Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge,                                            |                | 39 36      |
| " 9      | By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick,                                               |                | 49 52      |
| " 14     | By cash from St John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, from communicants,                  |                | 2 00       |
| " 22     | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,                                                    |                | 54         |
| Sept. 30 | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one quarter in advance, from 17th September, 1843,    | 750 00         |            |
| Oct. 3   | By cash from St. John's Church, Georgetown,                                               |                | 1 20       |
| " 4      | By cash from interest on \$13,356 08 Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds,                  |                | 200 34     |
| " 12     | By cash from Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's county,                                   |                | 44 01      |
| Nov. 1   | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                |                | 18 00      |
| " 6      | By cash from 3 months interest on State of Maryland 5 and 6 per cent. stock,              |                | 100 80     |
| " 27     | By this amount received of C. Keener, Esq., in settlement of note held by Temporary Fund, |                | 361 50     |
| Dec. 20  | By cash from Chester Parish, Kent county, 1844.                                           |                | 34 86      |
| Jan. 9   | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one quarter in advance, from 17th December, 1843,     | 750 00         |            |
| " 9      | By cash from interest on \$13,356 08 Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds,                  |                | 200 34     |
| " 9      | By cash for two dividends on Union Bank stock,                                            |                | 26 25      |
| " 17     | By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,                                   |                | 4 12       |
| Feb. 14  | By cash from Queen Anne Parish, Prince George's county,                                   |                | 18 00      |
| " 21     | By cash donation from Rev. Mr. Keppler,                                                   |                | 7 95       |
| " 22     | By cash for 3 months interest on loan of \$6,105 98 to R. W. Bowie, Esq.                  |                | 91 59      |
| " 29     | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                | \$26 40        |            |
| " 29     | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,                                               | 9 00           |            |
|          |                                                                                           |                | 35 40      |
| March 1  | By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick,                                               |                | 23 16      |
|          | Amount carried forward,                                                                   | \$7,520 00     | \$7,272 91 |

|         |                                                                                                            | Disbursements | Receipts    |
|---------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1844.   | Amount brought forward,                                                                                    | \$ 7,520 00   | \$ 7,272 91 |
| March 8 | By cash from William and Mary Parish, Charles county.                                                      |               | 2 70        |
| " 20    | By cash dividend of \$5 per share on 100 shares Citizen's Bank stock, paid out of the capital of the Bank, |               | 500 00      |
| " 20    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                                 | \$90 88       |             |
| " 20    | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,                                                                | 19 85         |             |
| " 20    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,                                                                     | 68 05         |             |
|         |                                                                                                            |               | 178 78      |
| April 3 | To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one quarter in advance, from 17th March, 1844,                         | 750 00        |             |
| " 4     | By cash interest on \$13,356 08 Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds,                                        |               | 200 34      |
| " 22    | By cash from Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county,                                                   |               | 3 15        |
| " 22    | By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George's county,                                                    |               | 16 20       |
| " 30    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                                 | \$46 55       |             |
| " 30    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,                                                                     | 17 80         |             |
| " 30    | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,                                                                | 14 70         |             |
|         |                                                                                                            |               | 79 05       |
| May 27  | By cash for 3 months interest on loan of \$6,105 98 to R. W. Bowie, Esq.                                   |               | 91 59       |
| " 28    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, from communicants,                                              | \$194 50      |             |
| " 28    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore, from communicants,                                                  | 66 86         |             |
| " 28    | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, from communicants,                                             | 158 00        |             |
|         |                                                                                                            |               | 419 36      |
| " 28    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,                                                                 | \$58 00       |             |
| " 28    | By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,                                                                     | 54 00         |             |
| " 28    | By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,                                                                | 12 90         |             |
|         |                                                                                                            |               | 124 90      |
|         |                                                                                                            | \$8,270 00    | \$8,888 98  |

JACOB ALBERT, Treasurer.

BALTIMORE, May 28th, 1844.

*The Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland, in  
account with C. C. JAMISON, Treasurer.*

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| June 5   | For Diocesan Missions, 1st day of Convention,                                                                                                                                                                                     | 16 19                                              |                        |     |
| " 8      | For General Missions, 1st day of Con-<br>From William and Mary Parish, St.<br>Mary's county, by Bishop Whit-<br>tingham, for General Missions,<br>For Diocesan Missions,                                                          | 14 89<br>29 78                                     | 53 32<br>44 67<br>1 60 |     |
| July 6   | Interest on \$100 City 6 per cent. to 1st<br>July,                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                    |                        |     |
| " 19     | From St. Peter's Church, Sunday offer-<br>ing, for St. James's African Church,<br>For repairing church at Sykeville,<br>" G. G. Moore, Trinity Church, at<br>Covington, Kentucky,<br>For Diocesan Missions,<br>" Constantinople " | 37 50<br>20 00<br>20 00<br>25 00<br>25 00<br>18 00 | 145 50                 |     |
| " 20     | " arrears due Bishop Whittingham,<br>From Mrs. E. J. Harris, of Charles<br>county, for Domestic Missions,<br>From Mrs. E. P. Chapman, of Charles<br>county, for Domestic Missions, by<br>Miss Ringgold,                           | 8 00<br>5 25                                       | 19 25                  |     |
| " 26     | From St. John's Church, Ellicott's<br>Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, for<br>Diocesan,<br>For Domestic Committee of D. and F.<br>Society,                                                                                          | 13 55<br>6 00                                      | 19 55                  |     |
| Sept. 23 | From Parish Holy Trinity, Carroll<br>county, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for<br>Diocesan Missions,                                                                                                                                        |                                                    | 8 82<br>1 50           |     |
| Oct. 9   | City Interest to 1st October on \$100,<br>Amount carried forward,                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                    | \$ 759 86              |     |
|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | \$1,746 53                                         |                        |     |



Amount brought forward,

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| Nov. 17 | Amount brought forward,<br>From St. John's Church, Ellicott's<br>Mills, by Rev H. T. Harrison, for<br>St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore,<br>For Domestic Committee D. and F.<br>Society, | 20 00                 |       |
| " 23    | From W., for the Nashota Missions,<br>for quarter ending 1st October,                                                                                                                  | 10 00                 | 30 00 |
| Dec. 14 | From St. Paul's Parish, by Edward<br>Ridgely, for feeble Parishes within<br>the Diocese,                                                                                               |                       | 62 50 |
| " 21    | From Christ Church, (Cambridge,)<br>by Rev. J. A. McKenny, for Do-<br>mestic Dept. for the West,                                                                                       |                       | 89 31 |
| " 26    | From St. Peter's Church, by N. Ridge-<br>ly, for Domestic Missions,                                                                                                                    |                       | 25 00 |
| 1844. 4 | City interest to 1st January,                                                                                                                                                          |                       | 25 00 |
| Jan. 8  | From St. John's Church, Ellicott's<br>Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, for<br>Diocesan Society,                                                                                          | 14 25                 | 1 50  |
|         | For Domestic Committee of D. and F.<br>Missionary Society,                                                                                                                             | 6 00                  |       |
| " 9     | From Bishop Whittingham, sundry<br>collections for Missions on Eastern<br>Shore,                                                                                                       |                       | 20 25 |
| " 19    | From Clement F. Jones, Chester Pa-<br>rish, for African Missions,<br>For Missouri and Iowa Missions,<br>" Rev. Nathias Harris, Church<br>Creek, towards repairing his<br>church,       | 70 00<br>1 52<br>5 00 | 31 25 |

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| Towards salary of a minister at St. Luke's Church, Anne Arundel county, to be appropriated by direction of the Bishop, |                                                                                                                | 44 80 | 121 32            |
| Feb. 8                                                                                                                 | From Rev. James A. Buck, of Hancock, Md., for Domestic Missions.                                               |       |                   |
|                                                                                                                        | For Foreign Missions,                                                                                          | 10 00 |                   |
| " 9                                                                                                                    | From Rev. D. H. Buel, Holy Trinity and Westminster, for Foreign Missions,                                      | 10 00 | 20 00             |
|                                                                                                                        | For Domestic Missions,                                                                                         | 3 50  |                   |
| " 19                                                                                                                   | From St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county, by Rev. O. Hutton, for Diocesan Missions,         | 9 68  | 13 18             |
| Mar. 12                                                                                                                | From St. Matthew's and St. Mark's Church, Prince George's county, from Rev. Mr. Pinkney, for Foreign Missions, |       | 10 00             |
|                                                                                                                        | For Domestic Missions,                                                                                         | 10 67 |                   |
|                                                                                                                        | " Diocesan                                                                                                     | 10 66 |                   |
| April 2                                                                                                                | From St. Peter's Church, by N. Ridgely, (Sunday offering) for Diocesan Missions,                               | 10 67 | 32 00             |
| " 3                                                                                                                    | From St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne's, by Rev. Henry Brown, Rector, for Foreign Missions,                       |       | 36 60             |
|                                                                                                                        | For Domestic Missions,                                                                                         | 9 00  |                   |
|                                                                                                                        | " Diocesan                                                                                                     | 9 00  |                   |
|                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                | 9 00  |                   |
|                                                                                                                        | Amount carried forward,                                                                                        | 27 00 |                   |
|                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                |       | <u>\$1,304 68</u> |

Amount carried forward,

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Amount brought forward,

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| Amount brought forward,              |       |  |       |
| From All Saints' Church, Frederick,  | 14 73 |  |       |
| by Rev. Mr. Peterkin, for Foreign    | 14 73 |  |       |
| Missions,                            | 14 73 |  |       |
| For Domestic Missions,               |       |  | 44 19 |
| " Diocesan                           |       |  |       |
| From Chester Parish, Chester Town,   | 4 24  |  |       |
| from Rev. Clement Jones, for Fo-     | 4 24  |  |       |
| reign Missions,                      | 4 25  |  |       |
| For Domestic Missions,               |       |  | 12 73 |
| " Diocesan                           |       |  |       |
| From Mount Calvary, by Mr. Colburn,  |       |  | 4 00  |
| for Diocesan Missions,               |       |  |       |
| From Huntington Mission congrega-    |       |  | 2 72  |
| tion, by Rev. Mr. Hewett, for Dio-   |       |  |       |
| cesan Missions,                      |       |  | 25 00 |
| From Church of the Epiphany, Wash-   |       |  |       |
| ington, by Bishop Whittingham,       |       |  | 50 00 |
| for Diocesan Missions,               |       |  | 1 50  |
| From St James's Hall, by Bishop      |       |  |       |
| Whittingham, for Diocesan par-       |       |  | 10 48 |
| ishes,                               |       |  |       |
| Interest on city stock to 1st April, |       |  |       |
| From Christ Church, Harford county,  |       |  |       |
| by Rev. Mr. Keech, for Foreign       |       |  |       |
| Missions,                            | 3 49  |  |       |
| For Domestic Missions,               | 3 49  |  |       |
| " Diocesan                           | 3 50  |  |       |
| From St. John's Parish, Baltimore    |       |  |       |
| and Harford counties, by Rev. Mr.    |       |  |       |
| Keech, for Foreign Missions,         | 4 53  |  |       |
| For Domestic Missions,               | 4 54  |  |       |

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|   |    |                                                                                                          |            | 13 61             |
| " | 11 | For Diocesan Missions,<br>From a clergyman's wife, by Bishop<br>Whittingham, for Diocesan Mis-<br>sions, | 4 54       |                   |
|   |    | For Foreign Missions,                                                                                    | 5 00       |                   |
|   |    | " Domestic "                                                                                             | 5 00       | 15 00             |
| " | 11 | From Severn Parish, Anne Arundel<br>county, by Bishop Whittingham,<br>for Diocesan Missions,             | 1 92       |                   |
|   |    | For Foreign Missions,                                                                                    | 1 91       |                   |
|   |    | " Domestic "                                                                                             | 1 92       | 5 75              |
| " | 11 | From Christ Church, Queen Caroline<br>Parish, by Rev R. H. Waters, for<br>Diocesan Missions,             |            | 7 00              |
| " | 11 | From St. Peter's Parish, Talbot coun-<br>ty, by Bishop Whittingham, for<br>Diocesan Missions,            | 10 00      |                   |
|   |    | For Foreign Missions,                                                                                    | 5 00       |                   |
|   |    | " Domestic "                                                                                             | 5 00       | 20 00             |
| " | 11 | From Trinity Parish, Carroll and Bal-<br>timore counties, by Rev. D. H. Buel,<br>for Diocesan Mission,   | 4 12       |                   |
|   |    | For Foreign Mission,                                                                                     | 4 12       |                   |
|   |    | " Domestic "                                                                                             | 4 13       | 12 37             |
| " | 11 | From Westminster, by Rev. D. H.<br>Buel, for Diocesan Missions,                                          | 2 32       |                   |
|   |    | For Foreign Missions,                                                                                    | 2 32       |                   |
|   |    | " Domestic "                                                                                             | 2 33       | 6 97              |
| " | 11 | From St. Mark's Parish, Frederick<br>county, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for<br>Diocesan Missions,               |            | 3 00              |
|   |    | Amount carried forward,                                                                                  |            | <u>\$1,539 70</u> |
|   |    | Amount carried forward,                                                                                  | \$1,746 58 |                   |

Amount brought forward,

\$1,746 53

1844.

April 19

Amount brought forward,  
From St. Peter's Church, Baltimore,  
by Rev. Mr. Atkinson, for Diocesan  
Missions,

" 15

From St. John's Church, Georgetown,  
by Rev. Mr. Butler, for Diocesan  
Mission, Palm Sunday,

" 24

From Coventry Parish, Somerset and  
Worcester, from Rev. John Cro-  
dale, for Domestic Missions,

May 4

For Foreign Missions,  
From King and Queen Parish, St  
Mary's county, from Rev. P. Berry,  
for Diocesan Missions,

" 9

For Domestic Missions,  
From St. John's Church, Ellicott's  
Mills, from Rev. H. T. Harrison,  
for Diocesan Missions,

" 20

For Domestic Committee of D. and F.  
Missionary Society,  
From St. John's Church, Ellicott's  
Mills, from Rev. H. T. Harrison,  
Palm Sunday collection, for Dio-  
cesan Missions,

" 20

For Foreign Missions,  
" Domestic  
From an unknown friend, Washington,  
through Bishop Whittingham,

" 20

From All Saints' Church, Calvert  
county, from Rev. H. Williams,  
for Diocesan Society,  
For Foreign Society,

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May 29 To Balance due me,

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BALTIMORE, May 22th, 1844.

C. C. JAMISON, Treasurer.



# APPENDIX.

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|         |                                                                                                             |       |          |
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| July 24 | By cash from All Saints' Parish, Cal-<br>vert co. per Rev. Mr. Williams,                                    | 6 10  |          |
| " 24    | By cash from Christ Church, Harford<br>county, per A. P. Moore, Esq                                         | 14 00 |          |
| " 26    | By cash from Gentleman of St Paul's<br>Church, Baltimore, per the bishop,                                   | 5 00  |          |
| " 26    | By cash from St. John's Ch., Queen<br>Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel<br>county, per the Rev. H. T. Harrison, | 72 64 |          |
| " 27    | By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Talbot<br>county, per Rev. Dr. Mason,                                      | 20 00 |          |
| " 29    | By cash from Daughter of a clergyman,<br>per Bishop Whittingham,                                            | 5 00  |          |
| " 31    | By cash from St John's Parish, Prince<br>Geo. co, per Rev. Mr. Van Deusen,                                  | 1 00  |          |
| " 31    | By cash from All Hallow's Parish,<br>A. A. co., per Rev. W. F. Brand,                                       | 5 00  |          |
| Aug. 1  | By cash from Trinity Parish, Carroll<br>co. per Rev. D H. Buel,                                             | 4 00  | 128 74   |
| " 1     | By cash from Zion Parish, P. Geo.<br>county, per Rev. Wm. Pinkney,                                          | 10 00 |          |
| " 2     | By cash from Ch. Ch. Queen Caroline<br>Parish, A. A. co, Rev. Mr. Waters,                                   | .9 01 |          |
| " 2     | By cash from Coventry Parish, per<br>Rev. John Croasdale,                                                   | 10 00 |          |
| " 7     | By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles<br>county, per the Bishop,                                             | 5 00  |          |
| " 15    | By cash from St. Paul's Church, Bal-<br>timore, per Edward Ridgely, Esq.,                                   | 99 86 | 137 87   |
| Aug. 30 | By cash from St. Andrew's Parish, St<br>Mary's co. per Rev. C. E. Pleasant                                  | 5 00  |          |
|         | Amount carried forward,                                                                                     |       | \$698 11 |
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|                         | \$790 73 |                                                                                         | \$698 11 |  |          |
| Sept. 2                 |          | By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot co. per Rev. Dr. Spencer,                     | 18 06    |  |          |
| " 4                     |          | By cash from St. John's Church, Miles River Ferry, per Bp. Whittingham,                 | 67       |  |          |
| " 7                     |          | By cash from St. Mary's and Trinity Churches, Elkton, per Rev. R. L. Gidsbrough,        | 5 69     |  |          |
| " 8                     |          | By cash from Trinity Ch., U. Marlboro', P. Geo's co., per Rev. Mr. Trapnell,            | 18 00    |  |          |
| " 13                    |          | By cash from Stepney Par., Salisbury Ch., and Spring Hill, Somerset co.,                | 10 00    |  | 57 42    |
| " 15                    |          | By cash from individual of Chester Parish, per Rev. C. F. Jones,                        | 4 00     |  |          |
| " 23                    |          | By cash from St. John's Church, Baltimore and Harford counties,                         | 7 62     |  |          |
| Oct. 10                 |          | By cash from Mrs. L. Phelps, per Bishop Whittingham,                                    | 10 00    |  |          |
| " 10                    |          | By cash from Queen Ann Parish, P. George's co. per Geo. Tyler, Esq.,                    | 8 85     |  |          |
| Mar. 8                  |          | By cash from William and Mary Par., Charles co. per Rev. S. C. Davis,                   | 4 78     |  |          |
| April 11                |          | By cash from lady of a Clergyman, Talbot co. per Bishop Whittingham,                    | 5 00     |  |          |
| " 11                    |          | By cash from Unknown Donor,                                                             | 50 00    |  | 86 20    |
| May 29                  |          | By cash from St. Matthew's and Zion Parishes, P. George's county, per Rev. Mr. Pinkney, | 8 00     |  |          |
| June 1                  |          | By cash from Epiphany Parish, Washington, D. C., per Rev. Mr. French,                   | 12 00    |  | 20 00    |
|                         | \$790 73 |                                                                                         |          |  | \$790 73 |

BALTIMORE, May 29th, 1844. Respectfully submitted, H. COLBURN, Treasurer for contributions to St. James's Hall.

## REPORT

## OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPAL FUND.

*To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland :*

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund respectfully report, That during the last year, efforts have been made with but partial success, to collect the arrearages due from subscribers to the Fund. A special agent from the city of Baltimore was appointed some months since, through whose instrumentality collections have been made, amounting to \$3,007 73.

By the statement of the Treasurer, it appears, that from the 1st of June last, \$5,956 12 of the permanent Fund have been paid in ; and within the same period, there have been received for interest from the subscribers to the Fund \$1,442 66 ; in reply to the circular of the Trustees, asking contributions equal to 50 cents for each communicant \$989 73 ; from donations \$47 93 ; from dividends and interest on investments \$1,641 43. There have also been received as part of a temporary investment, formerly made in Citizen's Bank Stock \$500, and from a settlement with a creditor \$360 50. The permanent Fund now amounts to \$23,902 49, of which \$14,440 50 have been invested in \$15,886 08 of bonds of the Baltimore & Ohio Rail Road Company ; and \$6,105 89 loaned and well secured by a lien on real estate ; and \$266 67 invested in a ground rent yearly, 6 per cent. on the principal, leaving \$1,014 92 in the hands of the Treasurer, to be added to the monies expected to be paid in during this Convention, and which will be invested under the order of the Board. The Trustees have deemed it expedient to sell the State Stock formerly held by the Board. In doing thus, a loss was encountered of \$1,723 80, which has been more than counterbalanced by the appreciation of other investments.

It is a subject of regret, that so little interest seems to be felt by the Vestries of the respective Parishes on the subject of the Episcopal Fund. The adoption of a regular system throughout the Diocese would have a most salutary effect, and could be carried out with but comparatively small labor. Individuals if applied to, would not hesitate generally to comply with their engagements, and this application might be made by the same agents who are employed in collecting the parochial charges. In the hope, that during the year which has passed since the adjournment of the last Convention, the interest on the Fund would have been more generally collected in the several parishes, as requested by the circular of the Board, no general agent has as yet been appointed. It is now believed to be essential to the future collection of the subscriptions, that one or more active agents should be obtained, as authorised by the last Convention, whose duty it shall be to collect what is due, so far as practicable, and solicit further subscriptions. The success attending the experiment made in Baltimore, induces the Board to believe that the appointment of

such agents would be attended with beneficial results, and it is now contemplated to make some arrangement for putting such a plan in operation, if it should meet with the concurrence of the Convention.

The statement of the Trustees of the Board, shewing in detail the receipts and expenditures of the respective Funds are herewith exhibited.

SAMUEL I. DONALDSON,

*Secretary of the Board.*

#### ERRATA.

On page 47, after the resolution reported in favor of admitting "St. Timothy's Church," &c., the Secretary omitted to state that the report was accepted, and the resolution adopted.

Errors having occurred in printing the act to establish the Parish of the Ascension, Carroll county, page 47, it is republished with the necessary corrections.

An act to establish the Parish of the Ascension, Carroll county.

*Be it enacted*, That the territory comprised within the following description, that is to say, beginning at the north-east corner of Carroll county, and following the Pennsylvania line until it strikes the Monocacy, thence down that stream, and following the dividing line of Frederick and Carroll counties to the old dividing line of Frederick and Baltimore counties, thence northwardly up said old dividing line to the Nicodemus road, thence running down said road to the dividing line of Baltimore and Carroll counties, and thence up said line to the place of beginning,—be, and the same hereby is made a separate parish—to be known as "The Parish of the Ascension, Carroll county," and entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to other parishes by the vestry law of the State of Maryland, and by the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese.

# Summary of THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS, June 1st 1844.

| Parish or Church.                                      | County.           | Minister.                               | Baptisms. |          |          | Confirmed. | Communicants. |        |        |               | Marriages. | Funerals. | S. Schools. |            | Contributions for Church purposes. | REMARKS.                                                         |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|------------|---------------|--------|--------|---------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                        |                   |                                         | Adults.   | Infants. | Not spe. |            | Died.         | Rem'd. | Added. | Whole Number. |            |           | Teachers.   | Scholar's. |                                    |                                                                  |
| Emmanuel Parish,<br>Christ Church, Mount Savage,       | Allegany,         | Samuel Buel,<br>John H. Kehler,         | 3         | 9        | -        | -          | 3             | 7      | 20     | 66            | 8          | 6         | 10          | 70         | \$191 61 1/4                       | Includes adjacent Missionary stations.                           |
| All Hallows' Parish,<br>Christ Ch. Queen Caroline Par. | "                 | William F. Brand,<br>Richard H. Waters, | -         | 33       | -        | -          | -             | -      | 12     | 31            | 6          | 15        | -           | -          | 7 98                               | Church yard enclosed.                                            |
| Ellicott's Chap. Patuxent Forge.                       | "                 | Henry Aisquith,                         | 1         | 21       | -        | 1          | -             | 2      | 25     | 27            | 1          | 3         | -           | -          | 71 83                              | Services at Laurel Factory also.                                 |
| Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills.                        | "                 | Alfred Holmead,                         | -         | 7        | -        | -          | -             | -      | 1      | 7             | 2          | -         | -           | -          | 60 60                              | Church building.                                                 |
| Seyern Church,                                         | "                 | Henry Aisquith,                         | -         | 10       | -        | -          | -             | 1      | -      | 41            | 3          | 1         | -           | -          | 17 50                              | Present Rector entered on charge May 12th.                       |
| St. Ann's Parish,                                      | "                 | E. M. Van Deusen,                       | -         | -        | 18       | 41         | -             | -      | -      | -             | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  | Services for colored people.                                     |
| St. James's Parish,                                    | "                 | Joshua Morsch,                          | -         | -        | 20       | -          | -             | -      | -      | 66            | 3          | 2         | -           | -          | 65 00                              | Church debt diminished.                                          |
| St. John's Ch. Queen Caroline P.                       | "                 | Hugh T. Harrison,                       | 1         | 2        | -        | -          | 1             | 2      | 4      | 26            | 2          | 2         | -           | -          | 222 45                             | Church built.                                                    |
| St. Margaret's Westminister P.                         | "                 | Orlando Hutton,                         | -         | 20       | -        | -          | -             | 2      | 9      | 12            | 5          | -         | -           | -          | 20 43                              | Church about to be built.                                        |
| Ascension Church, Baltimore.                           | Baltimore City,   | Francis Peck,                           | 1         | 25       | -        | 13         | 2             | 6      | 28     | 106           | 3          | 17        | 27          | 150        | -                                  | Organised in February.                                           |
| Christ                                                 | "                 | Henry V. D. Johns,                      | 6         | 48       | -        | 26         | -             | -      | -      | 375           | 11         | 21        | -           | -          | 4,000 00                           |                                                                  |
| Grammar Chapel,                                        | "                 | George A. Leakin,                       | -         | 10       | -        | -          | -             | -      | -      | 30            | -          | 10        | 23          | 180        | -                                  | Church built.                                                    |
| Mount Calvary Church,                                  | "                 | Alfred A. Miller,                       | 1         | 2        | -        | -          | -             | -      | 2      | 15            | 1          | -         | 13          | 83         | 16 00                              | Church about to be built.                                        |
| Redemption                                             | "                 | Robert Piggott,                         | -         | 8        | -        | -          | -             | -      | -      | 135           | 14         | 17        | 12          | 65         | -                                  | Organised in February.                                           |
| St. Andrew's                                           | "                 | Henry S. Keppler,                       | 2         | 36       | -        | -          | 2             | 3      | 27     | 40            | 4          | 1         | 19          | 140        | 1,104 87                           | Organ bought.                                                    |
| St. James' Ist African Ch.                             | "                 | John N. McJilton,                       | 1         | 7        | -        | 9          | -             | -      | 4      | 378           | 16         | 34        | -           | -          | -                                  | Assistant minister, Rev. Sam. R. Gordon.                         |
| St. Paul's Church,                                     | "                 | Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D.                     | -         | -        | 61       | -          | -             | -      | -      | -             | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  | Communicants imperfectly ascer- tained.                          |
| St. Peter's                                            | "                 | Thomas Atkinson,                        | 6         | 27       | -        | 13         | 6             | 4      | 24     | 316           | 8          | 25        | -           | -          | 1,800 00                           | Organised and Church built with- in the year.                    |
| St. Stephen's Church,                                  | "                 | John N. McJilton,                       | 5         | 23       | -        | 15         | 1             | -      | -      | 23            | 4          | 4         | -           | -          | -                                  | Rector just entered on duty—Par- sonage built.                   |
| Sherwood Church,                                       | Baltimore County, | Samuel G. Callahan,                     | -         | -        | -        | -          | 4             | 1      | 2      | 47            | 5          | 8         | -           | -          | -                                  | Parsonage erected.                                               |
| St. James's Parish,                                    | "                 | Matthias L. Forbes,                     | -         | 27       | -        | 4          | -             | -      | -      | -             | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  | Church consecrated.                                              |
| St. John's Church,                                     | "                 | Vacant.                                 | -         | -        | 7        | -          | -             | -      | -      | 12            | 3          | 4         | 4           | 23         | 53 91                              |                                                                  |
| St. Thomas' Parish,                                    | "                 | Charles C. Austin,                      | 1         | 2        | -        | 3          | -             | -      | 3      | 6             | -          | 1         | -           | -          | -                                  | Assistant minister, Rev. John H. Chew.                           |
| Trinity Parish,                                        | " & Carroll,      | David H. Buel,                          | 9         | 7        | -        | 12         | 5             | 3      | 11     | 81            | 9          | 3         | -           | -          | 44 85                              | Church completed.                                                |
| St. John's                                             | " & Harford,      | John R. Keech,                          | -         | -        | 38       | -          | -             | -      | 4      | 46            | 5          | 10        | -           | -          | -                                  | Church about to be built—(7 com- municants in Lisbon, A. A. co.) |
| All Saints                                             | Calvert,          | Henry Williams,                         | -         | -        | -        | -          | -             | -      | -      | -             | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  |                                                                  |
| Christ Church Parish,                                  | "                 | Vacant.                                 | -         | -        | -        | -          | -             | -      | -      | -             | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  |                                                                  |
| St. Paul's                                             | "                 | Robert Prout,                           | -         | 8        | 24       | -          | -             | -      | -      | 16            | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  |                                                                  |
| Ascension                                              | Carroll,          | David H. Buel,                          | -         | -        | -        | -          | -             | -      | -      | 12            | -          | -         | -           | -          | 22 56                              |                                                                  |
| St. Augustine's                                        | Cecil,            | John Wiley,                             | -         | -        | -        | 5          | 2             | -      | 5      | 12            | -          | -         | -           | -          | -                                  |                                                                  |



| Somerset Parish,<br>Spring Hill | Somerset,<br>"    | Harvey Stanley,<br>K. J. Stewart, | 19  | 16   | -   | 36  | 6   | -   | 44  | 89   | 2   | 7   | -   | 35   | 60 00         | Chapel building—Female Paroch-<br>ial School. |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Stepney                         | "                 | "                                 | 5   | 3    | -   | 6   | 2   | -   | 23  | 149  | 13  | 11  | 15  | 52   | 101 87 1/2    |                                               |
| Coventry                        | "                 | Somer. & Worcest.                 | 1   | 5    | -   | 5   | 1   | -   | 10  | 67   | 1   | 7   | -   | -    | 30 00         | Two chapels building.                         |
| St. Michael's                   | "                 | Talbot,                           | 1   | 5    | -   | 2   | 1   | -   | 1   | 40   | 9   | 1   | -   | -    | -             |                                               |
| St. Peter's                     | "                 | "                                 | 1   | 4    | -   | 9   | 3   | -   | 12  | 108  | 9   | 7   | 9   | 52   | 500 00        | New Church nearly finished.                   |
| St. Andrew's Ch. Clear Spring,  | Washington,       | H. M. Mason, D. D.                | -   | 6    | -   | -   | 1   | -   | 3   | 15   | -   | 2   | 7   | 40   | 20 00         |                                               |
| St. Thomas's Ch. Hancock,       | "                 | James A. Buck,                    | 20  | 3    | -   | -   | 2   | -   | 21  | 75   | 7   | 11  | 14  | 115  | 365 00        |                                               |
| St. John's Parish,              | "                 | Theodore B. Lyman,                | 2   | 3    | -   | -   | 4   | -   | -   | 112  | 9   | 12  | -   | 70   | 125 74        | Church enlarged and beautified.               |
| St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg,  | "                 | "                                 | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -    | -             |                                               |
| All Hallows' Parish,            | Worcester,        | William H. Rees,                  | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -    | -             |                                               |
| Worcester Parish,               | "                 | "                                 | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -    | -             |                                               |
| St. John's Parish,              | "                 | John P. Robins,                   | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | 10   | 12  | 8   | 6   | 35   | -             | Church nearly completed.                      |
| St. Timothy's Church,           | Baltimore County, | Geo. F. Worthington,              | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | 12   | -   | -   | -   | 40   | -             | Church about to be built.                     |
| Huntingdon Mission,             | Baltimore City,   | N. Augustus Hewitt,               | -   | 10   | -   | -   | -   | -   | 5   | -    | -   | -   | -   | 14   | 8 16          | Church about to be built.                     |
| Hungary Neck Mission,           | Somerset County,  | Henry Croedale,                   | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | 19   | -   | 4   | -   | 14   | -             | Church about to be built.                     |
| Caroline County Mission,        | Caroline County,  | E. W. Goldeborough,               | -   | -    | -   | -   | -   | -   | -   | 3    | -   | -   | -   | -    | 10 00         | Four candidates for confirmation.             |
|                                 |                   |                                   | 107 | 1107 | 559 | 997 | 126 | 144 | 460 | 5481 | 415 | 597 | 989 | 1838 | 15,306 53 1/2 |                                               |

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2 CORINTHIANS X. 7, 8.

Do ye look on things after the outward appearance? If any man trust to himself that he is CHRIST's, let him of himself think this again, that, as he is CHRIST's, even so are we CHRIST's; for though I should boast somewhat more of our authority, which the LORD hath given us for edification, and not for your destruction, I should not be ashamed.

In the dissensions of the early Church of Corinth we have a signal instance of the liability of the holiest purposes to the worst perversion. Nothing could be more praiseworthy than the determination to follow and acknowledge CHRIST exclusively. Yet we find that determination made the pretext for rejecting Him in the person of His apostle. No reason is afforded for believing that it was a mere assumed pretext, designed as a specious cover to very different intentions, wittingly entertained. On the contrary it appears to have been a sincere effort, originating in right feeling, called forth by a state of things for which some remedy needed to be found, and for which the exclusive selection of CHRIST Himself as an object of attachment seemed to offer a natural and effectual cure.

False teachers had found their way among the disciples, recently brought from errors and habits the most diverse to a knowledge of the gospel. Some maintained the necessity of adherence to the Mosaic law and ordinances as a ground of acceptance with God, and claimed the sanction of Peter, the leader of the apostolic band, for their dangerous delusion; others, in the opposite extreme, were for retaining heathen practices and modes of life, as compatible with the Christian profession, on the ground of the "liberty wherewith CHRIST hath made us free;"\* and seem to

\* Gal. v. 1.

have sheltered themselves under the reputation of Apollos, that mighty master in the sacred Scriptures. Others, denying alike the obligation of the Law on those who had been called from among the Gentiles to the knowledge of the truth, and the compatibility of heathen morals and participation in the heathen ritual with the holiness and purity of the new life in CHRIST, urged the authority of Paul, the founder and ruler of their Church, as having traced the middle way of freedom from the Law of Israel and subjection to the law of holiness and love. "I am of Cephas, and I of Apollos, and I of Paul,"\* were their respective badges of distinction. Party-spirit, and party feelings, and party management and strife, usurped the place of brotherly kindness, charity and peace.

To remedy this evil, perhaps,—perhaps as a refuge from it—others were led to assert their independence of all these factions, and to profess sounder and truer views of their relation to the One Captain of the common salvation, by refusing to acknowledge any authority, beside that of CHRIST Himself. Neither Cephas, nor Apollos, nor Paul, sufficed them. They would own CHRIST, and CHRIST alone; *Christians* they were, and *Christians* they would *remain*. Paul and Apollos and Peter were alike but men, and as men liable to err. The SON of GOD alone was THE TRUTH Himself. To Him alone could they look with unfailing certainty for guidance. His authority alone they would acknowledge. Let others be "of Cephas," "of Apollos," and "of Paul." *They* were "of CHRIST."

Were they wrong in this their estimate of human authority, and the inseparability of the believer from his SAVIOUR? Most certainly *they were not*. It is the key-stone of our profession: take it out, and the crumbling arch drops into a mass of ruins. There is *no* authority for us but that of CHRIST. We do, we can call no man master but Him, our one only LORD and Master—His

\* 1 Cor. i. 12.

voice alone, His sheep know and follow. Through Him alone, as the door of life, they go in and out, and find food and shelter for their souls.

Nor were they wrong in their disgust at the party-names and organization of their fellow Christians. Peter and Paul and Apollos had been to them stones of stumbling and rocks of offence, the moment their names were assumed as the watchwords of division; and in every instance in which the teaching of either had been set up as a testimony against the doctrine of the others, to discredit them and lessen their authority, that teaching had become to those who professed to follow it the source of error and cause of danger. The spirit that displayed itself in naming themselves and others by the name of him whose exclusive authority they claimed, was bad—bad, equally, in either case—vainglorious, if they claimed the name as an honor,—contumelious, if they imposed it as a reproach. The practice, in its *effects* was even worse; bringing down the Gospel of salvation to the level of the human speculations and systems which they had been accustomed to hear designated by the names of their inventors or improvers; placing *man* between themselves and their SAVIOUR as a recognised authority and dependence; and turning the Church, the living Body of CHRIST, into a miserable array of discordant sects, each given to its own petty idolatry.

It was clearly, then, a duty to bear witness against so great an evil. No man could safely join himself to those who professed partisanship, on whatever grounds. Whether the views ascribed to Peter, or those said to have the support of Apollos, or the safe medium of Paul, were adopted or rejected—independently of any truth or error in the doctrine, there was enough in the mode of its profession to warrant, nay oblige any right-minded disciple of the LORD JESUS, to refuse fellowship in such profession. He could be neither “of Cephas,” nor “of Apollos,” nor “of Paul.”

But did it follow that he must therefore claim to be “of CHRIST?”



So to do, was the error of a fourth class ; and it was worse than those out of which it grew. It generated a party, and with it party-spirit and party management. It did not, indeed, place the name of man upon the banner of the sect ; but in bringing down the holy Name of the Author of the faith to a level with those of men, it more dishonored Him. CHRIST was virtually dethroned, while His apostles were repudiated, by the employment of His Name as a badge of distinction from those who claimed to rally under theirs. It was an admission of opposition—of rivalry—between the LORD and His servants. It placed them at enmity with Him, and in so doing, assumed their revolt against His authority. The Head was regarded no longer as such, but as one among many members.

And for what end ? A protest against the substitution of human authority for His. But, in fact, the protest itself became the sin against which it was directed, and in a more aggravated form. The man who called himself “of Peter,” or “of Paul,” had at least a specious pretension to humility, in submitting his judgment to that of an authorised instructor ; and by so doing, might plead in mitigation of the offence against the apostles’ heavenly Master, that it was none of his intention to deny the dependence of his chosen leader upon the LORD Who sent him. But the man who called himself “of CHRIST,” vaingloriously set up his own judgment as his sufficient instructor, and while he presumptuously preferred its guidance to that of an apostle, after all asserted no other dependence of himself on CHRIST than a member of either of the other sects would have admitted in the case of his leader. They sinned, because they set up idols ; but their idols were apostles. He set up an idol, too : and his, was *himself*, his own judgment, his own choice, his own determination !

Such was the guilt of every individual who assumed the party-badge, that he was “of CHRIST,” as contradistinguished from such as claimed to be “of Cephas,” “of Apollos,” or “of Paul.”

But the guilt was increased in all, by the fact of their organization *as a party*. They had leaders, who taught them the views by maintaining which they professed to be, "of CHRIST." They followed others, while they separated themselves from those who professed to follow apostolic authority. What they disclaimed, they did. What they rejected on the ground of apostolic authority, they admitted on other grounds, capriciously preferred. What they could not bear to do for Paul, they did willingly for some specious party-leader, who had the art to persuade them that they did it not. The ambassador, forsooth, they could not allow to come between them and his LORD; but the cunning speeches of some eloquent haranguer they drank in with eager greediness, and while they trooped around him as disciples, laid the flattering unction to their souls, that they were in bondage to no man, free from the miserable subjection to delegated authority that degraded the followers of Paul, and Cephas, and Apollos, and the subjects "of CHRIST" alone.

Such a view of the state of things in Corinth is readily gathered from the two Epistles addressed to that Church by the inspired apostle. Once presented, it may with equal ease be recognised in the verses taken for my text. They inform us that a disposition to "look on things after the outward appearance," was a principal source of the evil condition of the Corinthian Church. As such, it is strongly reprobated.

Led away by this, some, at least, among the Corinthian Christians 'trusted to themselves that they were CHRIST's,'—were confident of their own interest in the SAVIOUR, and faithfulness to Him, but doubted whether Paul had an equal claim.

This doubt led to a denial or rejection of his authority as an apostle. He did not *seem to them to be such*. He had not made out his claim to their satisfaction—His doctrine, or his mode of teaching it, or the inferences of which it seemed to them to be capable, were incompatible with their views of Christian truth and grace. In their judgment, if *they* were CHRIST's, he could

not be. But they were sure that they *were* CHRIST's : therefore, his pretended authority as an apostle could have no weight with them.

Well worthy of note is the mode in which the blessed writer meets these presumptuous recusants. He denies not *their* pretensions. He enters into no question of their compatibility or incompatibility with his own.—Instead, he quietly reiterates the assertion of his own authority, affirms that it was ‘given him by the LORD,’ and declares that its tendency is to the ‘edification’ of those who are subjected to its exercise ; while he, at the same time, intimates that the result of its denial and the accomplishment of the designs of those who seduced their brethren into the refusal of its acknowledgment, would be their ‘destruction.’

He goes farther, and in language very similar to that which he uses concerning “the gospel” itself, in the beginning of the Epistle to the Romans, says that he should ‘not be ashamed to boast of his authority somewhat more’ than he had yet done. Its *end* would justify him in doing so, inasmuch as it was for *their* good, *not his own*, he had it. Its *Giver* would justify him still more ; for the gift itself, *from such a Source*, was an obligation not to suffer it to be despised, or rated below a due estimate : for the LORD’s sake, Who gave it him, he was bound to use it and maintain it.

This authority, it is observable, he claims for Timothy as well as for himself. While he is careful, in the context both immediately preceding and following these verses, to draw attention to his own personal relations to the Corinthians and their seducers, there is an equal care to discriminate between the answer to their cavils and objections to the person, and qualifications, and actions of Paul, and the assertion of characteristics and claims common to him and others who held like office with him. “I, Paul,” says he, am reputed by those of you who ‘look on things after the outward appearance,’ “as base among you, though bold toward you when absent ; but *I* beseech you,” not to give *me* occasion to be

bold with that kind and degree of "boldness wherewith *I* think to be bold against some which think of *us*," that is, not *me* Paul only, but Timothy as well, "as if *we* walked after the flesh. *We* do not war after the flesh"\*—and so he goes on in the name, not of himself alone, but, of all his faithful associates in the same ministry, until in my text he asserts their *common* relation to CHRIST, and *joint* authority, and subjoins the declaration that he, *individually*, has no reason to keep back from such an assertion of what he holds in common with his brother apostles. Against *them* the charge of overstating that authority, or overstretching it, had not been brought. He had, therefore, no occasion to associate them with himself in meeting it, and declaring the grounds of his procedure. But he had reasons, sufficiently obvious, for joining them with himself in his re-statement and re-assertion of the authority which had been so obnoxious; and, accordingly, while he says, "though *I* should boast—*I* should not be ashamed," he says also, that his boast would be of "*our* authority—which the LORD hath given *us*—*we* being CHRIST's." The Epistle being in the name of "*Paul and Timothy*," Timothy is plainly pointed to, in these so clearly discriminated plurals. All that is claimed, is claimed equally for him as for his father in the apostleship. An authority belonging to all bearing the same commission *by virtue of the commission*, is asserted as the ground of confidence, as of all in the discharge of their ministry, so especially of Paul in the maintenance of his relations to those, whom as a spiritual father he had brought into the household in which he was entrusted with his authority as a servant, for the common good, under a common Master.

This reference to the *ground* and *end* of his authority involved the root of the differences that had caused it to be called in question. His position as a steward in the one household of faith was the object of assault: and it was assailed, not so much in

\* 2 Cor. x. 7. 1, 2, 3.

jealousy or denial of the stewardship, as in dislike and disbelief of the constitution of the household.

All the Epistles of St. Paul bear witness to the fact, that he encountered every where sore opposition in the discharge of his high functions as apostle to the Gentiles. The grounds of opposition were as various, apparently, as the shifting scenes of his ministrations; yet are reducible, on examination, to a very simple fact. The apostle occupied a middle ground between Jew and Gentile, which neither could understand *for want of faith*. The unconverted Jew hated him as a preacher of JESUS, whom God had declared with power by the resurrection to be His SON, the Ruler and LORD over all His house, to whom Moses was but a servant, and the law a precursive disciplinary system.\* The unbelieving Gentile despised him as a proclaimer of strange doctrines, even the cross and the resurrection—a Saviour made perfect through sufferings, and promising life eternal to mortal men, as sharers with him in the immortality which He in the body had gone before them to secure.† In proportion as those who had forsaken Judaism and heathen unbelief were imperfectly brought to the knowledge and love of the truth, were deficient or weak in faith, and still craved the beggarly elements of the world which they professed to have renounced, in the same proportion they partook of the hostility of their former associates to the apostle, his doctrine, and his system of belief and practice. The Judaizing Romans and Galatians forsook him for another Gospel, and represented him as turning the grace of God to an occasion of sin, by his doctrine of justification by the righteousness of God in CHRIST alone, through faith only.‡ The Colossians were in danger of being ‘spoiled through philosophy and vain deceit’ by those who despised the apostle’s teaching, as poor and imperfect in comparison with their own voluntary humility and

\* Rom. i. 4. Acts x. 36. Heb. iii. 3-6. Gal. iii. 24, iv. 1-7.

† Acts xvii. 19, 31. 1 Cor. i. 23. Heb. ii. 10. 2 Tim. i. 10. Col. iii. 1-4. John xiv. 28, xvi. 7, xiv. 2.

‡ Rom. iii. 8, 31, vi. 1. Gal. i. 6, et al.

intrusion into things not seen.\* The Corinthians 'yet carnal' in mind and temper and habit of thought concerning things spiritual, were led away from him who had begotten them in the Gospel, the seals of whose apostleship they were, to others who professed to be preachers of CHRIST and not of the system into which they had been baptised on conversion by the preaching of Paul. They were taught to despise his teaching in comparison of the eloquence of their new leaders, and to attach themselves to their favorite preachers, as prizing human instrumentality before the divine grace which it superseded in their estimation. They heard great swelling words, such as man's wisdom teacheth, and were told to look at *the results* of the superior spiritual attainments of the false apostles, in the crowds of approving auditors and admiring followers whom they drew. They sought a proof of CHRIST speaking in His messenger, and found it wanting *to their apprehension*. He whom the Judaizing Romans rejected as a subverter of the Law, was equally rejected as an unscriptural Jew, ignorant of the liberty wherewith CHRIST had made them free, by the half-converted Corinthian Gentiles, still hankering after their idol feasts and heathenish associations. In the meanwhile, he knew nothing among them save CHRIST and Him crucified, and preached to all alike the cross of CHRIST, to the Jews a stumbling block, and to the Gentiles foolishness; and the power of His resurrection by which the Law had been set aside and the Gentiles subjected to a new law, even the law of the SPIRIT Whose presence is liberty, and Whose dominion is subjection unto holiness.†—That "all men *have not faith*" he knew to be the cause of the "unreasonable and wicked" hostility of so many to him and to his doctrine.‡ Prayer for his own deliverance assumed the shape of intercession for their "obedience to the faith." "One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one hope of their calling," he proclaimed *to all*. "One

\* Col. ii. 8, 18.

† 1 Cor. ii. 2, i. 23. Phil. iii. 10. Rom vii. 4. Eph. ii. 15. Rom. viii. 2. 2 Cor. iii. 17. Gal. v. 13. Rom. vi. 19.

‡ 2 Thess. iii. 2.

God and Father of all," "rich unto all who call upon Him," and "*one* Mediator between God and man, even the man CHRIST JESUS," he made known *to all*. *One* wondrous plan of redeeming love, embracing from the foundation of the world, all who should come to the knowledge of the truth and believe in a Saviour, whether yet to come or already manifest in the flesh, as alike children of the promise, and if alike children then alike fellow heirs, was the message of reconciliation which he delivered; intreating the Jew to see in his Law its true and only end, the salvation that is in CHRIST, and announcing to the Gentile that the partition wall which had so long divided the outcasts from the chosen, was broken down by the fulfilment of the Law on Calvary.\*

But to what end did he thus bring upon himself the odium of the Jew by proclaiming the abrogation of the Law, and the scorn of the Gentile by maintaining its fulfilment? Professedly, in order to bring both *into one Body*—a Body *one* as they had been two before, that is, by the union in itself of individual members joined by a common faith, a common obedience, a common LORD, and a common inheritance of pardoning and sanctifying grace. He taught that the promise of blessing through righteousness by faith was "not to seeds, as to many, but to A SEED, as *to one*," baptism into CHRIST making all one in CHRIST JESUS, Jew and Greek, bond and free, male and female, being alike children of God by faith in CHRIST JESUS, and since they are CHRIST's therefore Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.† He taught that this SEED, thus begotten unto the LORD in baptism, was as separate and distinct from the world around it, as ever the seed of Abraham according to the flesh had been, admitting of no unequal yoking with unbelievers, no partnership with infidels, no agreement with idol-worshippers, no association with the unholy and unclean. The foolish Galatian, bewitched by his false

\* Eph. iv. 5, 6. Rom. x. 12. 1 Tim. ii. 5. Matt. xxv. 34. Eph. i. 4. 1 Pet. i. 20. Rom. viii. 16, 17. Eph. ii. 14. Rom. x. 4.

† Gal. iii. 15—29.

teacher, denied the substitution of the spiritual birth for the natural descent from Abraham, and clung to circumcision as the scale of association in the benefits of the promise, and to the observances of the Law as obligatory by virtue of its injunction upon Israel. The self-opinionated Corinthian refused to believe that a separation once enjoined on the children according to the flesh while under the schoolmaster that was to bring them to CHRIST, could be designed to continue when the spiritual inheritance had been set open equally to the Gentile as to the Jew, and claimed the liberty of partaking of the table of devils together with their deluded worshippers, as part of the emancipation of the son and heir, released from his tutors and governors at the father's appointed time.

Both failed to take in the extent and fathom the depth of the counsels of the mercy of God in CHRIST. How should they, indeed, when the apostle himself, speaking in the SPIRIT, was constrained, as he foresaw the crowning accomplishment of those counsels, in the final re-union of Israel after the flesh with the spiritual Israel, to burst forth in rapturous admiration, "O the depth of the riches, both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments, and His ways past finding out! For who hath known the mind of the LORD? or who hath been His counsellor?"\*—But what they could not *comprehend*, they ought to have *believed*. For lack of *faith*, they incurred the sin of opposition to the inspired ambassador of CHRIST, and perilled their own salvation. They wanted faith to realise the adoption of the sonship, by which Jew and Gentile, bond and free, became *one in CHRIST*—THE SEED of promise, "by baptism into Him."† They *wanted faith* to realise the blessing of sons, to have the SPIRIT in their hearts, crying Abba, Father, and know that their "own bodies" were the "temples of the HOLY GHOST Which was in them, Which they had of God," and that they themselves, as lively stones, were collectively joined into a

\* Rom. xi. 33, 34.

† 1 Cor. xii. 13.



temple\* of the living God, in which He dwelt and made His habitation. Had they believed these things as the faithful apostle taught them, a right appreciation of their privileges in the *Church* of CHRIST, would have kept them from perverting the *Gospel* of CHRIST, and saved the Galatians from Judaizing legalism, the Corinthians from heathenish antinomianism, and both from self-righteousness, presumption, and soul-destroying dereliction of the truth as it is in JESUS.

In different ways, both “looked on things after the outward appearance,” and by so doing were led into their opposite and equally dangerous delusions. “Walking by sight,” and not “by faith,” they substituted each a “letter” for the “Spirit,”—but each a “letter” of his own. The “letter” of the Jew was the Old Testament of the “Law ordained by angels.” The “letter” of the Gentile was the eloquence, and learning, and systematic doctrine of his human teacher. Both lost sight of the true spirit and power of the glorious Gospel of the SON of GOD, by the intervention of their own perversely chosen substitutes, of each of which it was equally true, that it “killed,” instead of “giving life.”† The Judaizer *wanted faith* to conceive of any other mode of transmitting an interest than through natural succession; of any other ground of acceptance with GOD, than by the works of the Law. The Corinthian sectarian, through an equal *want of faith*, was unable to realise his position in a spiritual body, bound by bands as strong as those of the Law of Israel, though of a wholly different kind, and introduced into it by a birth as true as that according to the flesh, though only of water and the SPIRIT.‡—To both alike, the apostle held forth the promises as Yea and Amen in CHRIST; and the life that we now live as a new life in CHRIST; and the death and resurrection of CHRIST as the one only ground of the promises; and the SPIRIT into which we are baptised and made to drink as the one only

\* Gal. iv. 8. 1 Cor. vi. 19, xiv. 25. 1 Pet. ii. 5. Eph. ii. 20–22. † 1 Cor. iii. 6.

‡ 1 Cor. xii. 1–14. John iii. 5. Eph. v. 26. Tit. iii. 5.

source of the life which they live who have died unto sin in baptism, and are alive unto God through CHRIST living in them.\*

It is not possible fully to enter into the sense of any part of the writings of St. Paul, without keeping in view this their prominent characteristic,—an exhibition and defence of the middle ground between the Jewish and Gentile tendencies of the new converts to the Gospel. It is most clearly brought out in the Epistle to the Ephesians, among whom the great strength of Judaism, and the predominant proportion of Gentile converts at the first planting of the Church, kept the opposing elements balanced, perhaps, more evenly than elsewhere; but it is distinctly perceptible in every one of the Epistles, and in each differently manifested, according to the element of error most prevalent in the particular community addressed.

That this was wisely and mercifully permitted, in reference to permanent wants of the Church, we might be very sure, were we destitute of other evidence of such wants. But the evidence is abundant. History exhibits a continual antagonism between the same two poles of unbelief that displayed themselves in the days of the apostles in Judaism and Gentilising libertinism.

For more than three centuries the external pressure of persecution, and the constant, rapid extension of the Church kept the rival tendencies to error comparatively in equilibrium, and more or less deprived of injurious operativeness by their mutual counterpoise. On the influx of heathen converts that followed the establishment of the connexion between Church and state under the first Christian emperor, that counterpoise was destroyed—Gentile persecution ceased, and that element of worldliness which had once manifested itself in the Judaizing tendency, triumphing over its antagonist, became dominant for nearly nine hundred years, in the disposition to substitute form and formula for spirit, and to rely on transmitted claims and institutions and outward ordinances and observances, if not exclusively, yet so unduly as in a great degree

\* 2 Cor. i. 20. Rom. vi. 14. Gal. ii. 20. Rom. vi. 3. Col. ii. 12. 1 Cor. xii. 13.

to smother the inward life that gives them all their value. The development of European civilization for the last five centuries has again changed the preponderance of evils, and that other element of worldliness which in the outset of the strife was the heathen or libertine tendency has maintained a growing mastery in the forms of unbelief; delighting, with the perverted Colossian converts, in "vain philosophy" and "questions that tend to no profit, but the subverting of the hearers;" and with the deluded Corinthians, in "enticing words of man's wisdom," the "outward appearance" of "false apostles," and a "deceitful handling of the word of God" to the "destruction" of those whom by "feigned humility," submitting itself to "man's judgment," and asking "of them epistles of commendation," it seduces into revolt against "the authority which the LORD hath given for their edification."\*

It was not, then, without an enduring utility that so much of the attention of St. Paul was permitted to be engrossed by the false teachers who assailed from the adverse extremes his middle position, assumed in "that form of doctrine which he delivered," that it might be "obeyed from the heart" by "such as should be saved." In all ages the Church has profited by "that which came upon him daily," the weaknesses for which he "became as weak," and the offences for which he 'burned.' His multiplied arguments against the adversaries on either hand are our safeguards from the "errors" by which they were "led away," to "fall from steadfastness." His varied rejoinders to the charges brought against him, are our lessons "that we may know how to behave ourselves in the house of God, which is the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth."†

I know, brethren, how little prepared many are for the assertion, but I make it in the assured conviction that it requires but

\* 2 Cor. ii. 4. x. 7. xi. 13. iv. 2. x. 7. 1 Cor. iv. 3. 2 Cor. iii. 1. x. 8.

† Rom. vi. 17. 2. Tim. i. 13. 1. Cor. xi. 23. 2. Thess. iii. 6. 1 Cor. xi. 2. 23, 24. 2. Peter iii. 17. 1. Tim. iii. 15.

patient and prayerful study of St. Paul's epistles to satisfy them of the fact, that the sentence which I have just quoted from the blessed Apostle's advice to Timothy contains the principle by which he governed himself in all his course, and on which he relied for being holden up, not only in the judgment of the LORD, but in the work which the LORD had given him to do. To remember himself, and to bring others to the acknowledgment that they and he were "in the house of God," as children and heirs, and to regard their place therein as the ground of their obedience to the truth and their subjection to the law of love, was the Apostle's method of determining strife and confirming the testimony of CHRIST. With the Romans he argues against the Jewish notion of subjection to the Law, from their *death to the Law by the Body of CHRIST*, that is, as he explains himself, their burial with Him by baptism into death, when they were made members of His Body. He proves to them that the release from the Law is no license to sin, by the *resurrection in baptism to newness of life*. He adjusts the claims of Israel and the Gentiles, by declaring that they are now made one by the ingrafting of the Gentile converts upon the Abrahamic stock, from which the Jewish branch had been broken off because of unbelief, but not to remain forever disunited. He regulates the conduct of converted Jews and Gentiles toward each other, by reminding them of their mutual relations as "one Body in CHRIST, and every one members one of another."\* The Corinthians he upbraids for their divisions with the searching question, "*Is CHRIST divided?*"—the force of which grows out of their having been admitted "unto the fellowship" of CHRIST, when their "bodies" were made "members of Him," by union with Him in baptism. Their irregularities in religious administrations, and abuse of spiritual gifts, he corrects by appeal to the principle of unity of operation in diversity of organization throughout *the one Body* made up of many members, but animated by the *one SPIRIT* and

\* Rom. vii. 4, vi. 2—12, xi. 12—28.

ruled by the *one* LORD Who is its Head. Their sufferance of licentious habits and unholy living he condemns, by asserting the inhabitation of the SPIRIT, which they had all received of God, in their individual bodies, “which are members of CHRIST ;” affirming to each, that his “body is the temple of the HOLY GHOST, which is in him, which he has of God.”\* Their false teachers he warns of the danger of building up the spiritual house of God with wood, hay, and stubble, which must perish in the fiery trial of temptation and affliction, and reminds them, that “if any man defile the temple of God, (‘which temple,’ he tells all concerned, ‘are ye ;’) him shall God destroy.” Their association with the unbelieving and profane he condemns, because “the temple of God hath no agreement with idols ; for ye are the temple of the living God, as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them.”†

You know, brethren, that if I were to go into the Epistles to the Galatians, Ephesians, Colossians, and Philippians, I might find the instances of this mode of arguing against both the Judaizing and the heathenish classes of seducers from sound doctrine, still more frequent and remarkable, in proportion to the bulk of the Epistles ; but time will not permit such an extended prosecution of my theme. I have adduced enough to justify my assertion, that the holy apostle maintained his middle ground against both extremes of false doctrine, by setting forth *the unity of the Body of CHRIST*, and the *nature of the privileges and obligations growing out of membership in it*,—in other words, the position of himself and those he taught in the house of God, which is His Church, the very being of which is “the pillar and ground of the truth.”

That he held this *unity* of the Body of CHRIST for a spiritual truth, to be apprehended by “faith” only, and not by “sight,” or mere sense and reason, appears from the use he made of it against the Judaizing legalists. They clung to the Law, because

\* 1 Cor. i. 13, xii. *passim*. vi. 15—20.

† 1 Cor. iii. 12—18.

they had not *faith* to find the fulfilment of the promise to the spiritual seed. They adhered to the claim of righteousness by works, which they knew and felt to be untenable, because they could not lay hold of the promise as it is in **CHRIST**, yea and amen to the believer, sealed to him in his fellowship with the **SON**, as his by grace alone. The apostle confuted them, by showing that the faith of Abraham, not carnal descent from him, is the test of an interest in the blessing, and baptism into **CHRIST**, not the circumcision of the flesh, its seal.\* But on the other hand, it is equally clear that he held the Body thus constituted of those who are joined to **CHRIST** in baptism through faith, to be a reality, as discernible as the body of Abraham's posterity in the flesh, and capable of division, pollution, or destruction of its members. Was "the house of God," in which Timothy was to behave himself, an invisible class of persons never to be ascertainable by him or any one, until the great day of separation between the faithful and unfaithful? Was "the temple of God," which false teachers could "defile," the blessed and holy company of such as shall finally be saved? Were the "members of **CHRIST**," which could be polluted by fornication while they continued members, such by virtue of union with Him through faith only, or by some other union, the efficiency of which depended on their faith, but came from another source?

Certainly, the Body whose oneness was the centrepiece of the system of St. Paul, *in which* only he contemplates faith, hope, and charity, as having any being as graces of the **SPIRIT**, *of which* alone he predicates all the comfort, and peace, and joy, that the blood of the Redeemer purchased for His own, *into which* his preaching invited all who sought the gift of eternal life, and the **SPIRIT** as the earnest of that gift—that Body was no mere abstraction, or fiction of the mind. It was *a reality*. It was made up of men,—men yet in the flesh, yet under trial, yet liable to succumb to temptation, yet in danger of damnation. Its

\* Rom. iv. Col. ii. 11.

members might be torn by schism, be sullied by impurity, be perverted by false doctrine, be lost by want of faith or holiness. Its ordinances are real, and effectual, and life-giving: so true and binding, that in comparison of them, the holy days, and new moons, and Sabbaths of the former dispensation were but shadows, these being "the joints and bands by which nourishment is ministered from the Head to those who hold Him, and they are so knit together, as to increase with the increase of God."\*

Alas! my brethren, that in the Church itself, some should have been so led away with the error of the multitude, as to count these truths new and strange! Truths which lie at the very foundation of our hope in CHRIST! Truths which pervade the inspired teaching of the apostles in every part! Truths which are the key-note of the divine harmony sounded forth into all lands, by the messengers of the Gospel of peace!

Yet so it is. An ignorant prejudice has spread, even among ourselves, against the exhibition of the Church as the "pillar and ground of the truth," the depositary of the promises, the Body "into which" men must "be called," in order that "the peace of God may rule in their hearts."† And, strange to say, this prejudice is fed by the pretence, that through such an exhibition of the Church, the preaching of CHRIST is hindered; that men are kept by it from communion with their Saviour and dependence upon Him. What St. Paul taught, and relied on, in all his teaching, as the central pillar of the edifice, is stigmatised as "a new Gospel," such as he warned the Galatians against receiving; and its maintainers are charged with anti-christian heresy!

Distressing as it is to fall under such a ban, we have no slender consolation in finding ourselves therein sharers with no less a fellow-sufferer than the great apostle of the Gentiles, the preacher of the mystery, of which he was made chief herald, that through faith in CHRIST, by His righteousness alone, Jews and Gentiles, being all baptised into one Body, are in that one Body presented

\* Col. ii. 14—17, 19.

† Col. ii. 15. Eph. ii. 16, 17, iv. 3, 4.

holy, and unblamable, and unreprouable, and sealed by the one HOLY SPIRIT of promise, which is the earnest of the inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.\* For that doctrine he, too, in his day, was denounced as *not* “of CHRIST,”—perhaps by some term equivalent to *formalism*,—certainly in a strain of reproach for ignorance of evangelical and spiritual truth.

And by the merciful providence that permitted his reward to be increased by so suffering for our consolation, we have the additional benefit of his example, instructing us how to meet the insensate charge of subverting the Gospel by the Church, when brought, in honest but mistaken and perverse solicitude for the honor of our blessed Master, by those, who in “outward appearance” are His zealous and successful champions.

We say to them, in humble confidence of ability to make it good, what St. Paul said to his traducers, “if they trust in themselves that they are CHRIST’s, let them of themselves think this again, that as they are CHRIST’s, even so are we CHRIST’s;” and we maintain the assertion by producing our proof of ‘the authority that CHRIST hath given us, not for destruction, but for edification.’

Is it true, we ask, that those who insist on the acknowledgment of the Church, as distinguished by her divine commission from the sects on the one hand, and by her pure teaching of the Gospel, from the Romish schism on the other—Is it true, that those who thus call attention to the depositary of the Gospel and its seals, are not the exponents of Christian truth, the heralds of the Saviour, the faithful exhibitors of His Person and His work?

On the contrary, *they are so pre-eminently*. Like Paul, they prove themselves CHRIST’s, by unflinching maintenance of the authority given them of Him, neither ashamed of it nor afraid to make it known. They show their love, their duty, their devotion, by behaving themselves as in His house, not for an instant

\* Eph. i. 13, 14.



suffering themselves or others to forget their place or its laws and privileges.

Popery, on the one hand, has committed faults in many respects resembling those of the Corinthian parties, who chose to rally under the names "of Peter," "of Apollos," and "of Paul."

It dethrones, as far as in it lies, the blessed Head in Heaven of the one Family in Heaven and earth. For lack of faith to realise His heavenly, invisible, omnipresent sovereignty in His Kingdom, it has been driven to the gross supposition that, like a human monarch, He needs a viceroy to supply His absence; and has acquiesced in the groundless fiction, that such a viceroy is provided in the occupant of a see, which circumstances, purely secular for the most part, have distinguished above its fellows in the western world. Rome, in shaping out of its own bishop a visible head and centre of unity, mortal, frail, fallible, full of human infirmities and corruptions—of which, in the long succession of its bishops, history is but too lamentably an extended catalogue;—a head locally circumscribed, dependent on human information for its knowledge of the condition of the Body, on human agencies for its communication with the Body, on human means for its influence over the Body;—a head having no *life in himself*, whether spiritual or intellectual, but confessedly dependent for both as the meanest member on a source extraneous to himself, and dependent equally with them, in kind and degree;—by making to itself such a head, and striving to subject to it the whole Church on earth, the Roman schism has done all man can to dethrone its Heavenly King, and in a degree to which human blindness and presumption have never elsewhere dared to go in connexion with any form of faith in CHRIST, has placed man, even *mere* man, a sinner like itself, between itself and the Fount of blessing.

The doctrine of the intercessory mediation of saints and angels, too, though in another way, brings an interposing medium between the sinner and his Saviour, in the Romish system, and

deprives the One Mediator between God and man of His due honor, love and worship. At present, an infatuation that may almost be deemed judicial, displays itself in the blasphemous and idolatrous honors that are substituted for the modest reverence befitting our thoughts and mention of the Virgin Mother of our God and Saviour. The Romanist of our day may be charged with calling himself “of Mary,” with as much truth, and in a worse sense, than the kindred charge was brought against the schismatic followers of Paul or Apollos at Corinth.

The ministry of reconciliation itself is put out of its due place in the Romish system, by the substitution of *mediatorial* for *ministerial* functions, and every priest,—made by that system a judge and lawgiver among his brethren, and a trustee of redeeming grace in his own right,—is an obstacle placed by it in the way of access to the only Judge, Redeemer and Benefactor, who works in, with, and by His ministers, but as *instruments*, and not as *daysmen* between Him and the redeemed.

Nor is He less injured by the Romish figment of the necessity of the priest’s intention in order to the efficacy of the priestly act,—by which the ministerial commission, in its first impartation and its exercise, is made dependent on the will of the human depositary, instead of the co-operative sanction of the First Giver, setting apart the man as a tool for His use; to be rewarded if voluntarily and faithfully useful; to be punished if unfaithful, yet even so *to be used* for the accomplishment of the wise counsel and gracious purposes of the Divine Workman. While it sets a snare for the souls of believers, keeping them in miserable and helpless uncertainty of the seals and pledges of their redemption, the doctrine that intention is necessary to the operation of the sacraments makes man the keeper and dispenser of the mercies of God in CHRIST, to give and to withhold, by the sole action of a capricious or wicked will; and thus again puts man between his fellow man and CHRIST.

In the sacraments themselves, the Romish theory of their operation contrives to banish the Redeemer from the Church by making their efficacy reside, not, as is the truth, in the secret, inscrutable working of the LORD Himself by the agency of His SPIRIT, but in the outward signs by an invariable and inamissible operation, imparted to them by the act of consecration. For want of faith to realise the "spirit" of the holy rites, the Romanist rests in the dead "letter" of the rites themselves, and loses the blessed sense of their true value and importance, which they have, and only they, who see in them CHRIST Himself, giving His own promises their effect, and working out His own work of love in the way of His own appointment.

It is, indeed, the whole doctrine of the *Real Presence* of the Redeemer in and with His own, that Romanism, wanting faith to apprehend it, lowers, distorts and sensualizes, in all its forms and applications. His Presence in public worship, wherever two or three are gathered together in His Name, it conceals and practically denies, by encouraging the use of images, to the imminent hazard, if not more, of a breach of the Divine prohibition of image-worship.

His Presence in the Holy Eucharist it rashly and most dangerously dares to explain as a change of the substance of the elements, substituting for the heavenly and most comfortable truth which faith receives, a revolting, sensuous accommodation of it to man's inferior nature.

His Presence in consecrated places it degrades from a personal, spiritual indwelling to a character imprinted on the material edifice, making *that*, instead of Him, the direct object, and too often, we have reason to believe the end, of the reverence paid.

His Presence in the sacramental ordinances and with His ministers, and in His Kingdom as its Head, I have already noticed, as explained away by the corrupted doctrine of the Roman schism.

Here, then, we have the element of unbelief that worked in the first ages in the Judaizing propensities of new converts and false teachers, as it still displays itself among us. How shall we meet it, and correct it?

Not, surely, my brethren, by recourse to the other and conflicting element, but still of *unbelief*! Not by discarding forms and eschewing sensuous superstition in the arms of heathen irreverence and latitudinarianism of faith and practice! No: but as Paul did, by preaching CHRIST, the ever present, ever agent Head of His own body, the ever living and interceding Priest in His own Temple, offering evermore His one only sacrifice of Himself, and by His ministers as instruments reconciling, feeding and blessing His own people, united to Him by living faith in the efficacy of His own acts and operations to work out His own will, in joining them to Himself and keeping them in the blessed union.

*Want of faith* is at the root of Rome's corruptions: they must be destroyed, not by lessening faith, but by quickening and increasing it. Pray, brethren, that our own faith may be increased to take in the fulness of the apostolic doctrine of CHRIST's presence with His Church, to trace it in its ramifications through every particular in the sum of Gospel truth and mark how it saves the ministry, the sacraments, the ordinances, and the administrations and government of the Church from the perversions and abuse to which they have been exposed by cold and feeble and deficient faith, and a disposition to "look on things after the outward appearance" and to rest there.

But that disposition shows itself elsewhere than in the Roman schism. Among us, and around us, it works with dangerous potency, and produces many a clamorous outcry against authority, which it regards as exercised not for CHRIST but to the detriment of His Gospel.

Is it so? Are we traitors to the LORD JESUS because we so speak of membership in His Church, and its instruments and

seals, as to disturb the views of some and conflict with the claims of others, among those who "trust to themselves that they are CHRIST's"?

On the contrary, in the few points on which the multiform bodies of Christians that are at this moment assailing the Church with unprecedented rancour, are agreed among themselves to charge us with dereliction from the truth, we confidently declare that *they*—not we—are wanting; *they*—not we—come short of what is owing to the Divine Redeemer.

They accuse us of setting aside the doctrine of justification by faith only.

Surely, nothing can be more untrue! What does justification by faith mean—what is its value—if not this? that by the work and righteousness of CHRIST alone, man finds acceptance with his God, and that His work and righteousness are effectual by faith alone, for the believer only? Is one word of the doctrine of the Church concerning union with CHRIST by the efficacy of sacraments, at variance with that fundamental principle of the Gospel? So far from it, that it is presupposed as the basis of the whole. To whom are the sacraments efficacious? To the believer. What are they efficacious to communicate? A seal of an interest in that on which his faith reposes. What do they seal to him? Justifying and sanctifying grace, to admit him to that to which he has no claim, and to do for him that for which he has no power. All *of* CHRIST, all *in* CHRIST, all *by* CHRIST; CHRIST from first to last, as the Author and Contriver, the Executor, the Finisher. And yet, CHRIST owned and received *by faith*, and working by His SPIRIT, through faith, and giving and strengthening and perfecting the faith which, like wax under the seal, melts to receive the impress of His love. Surely, of this doctrine we may ask with the apostle, "Where is boasting, then? It is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay; *but by the law of faith.*"\*

\* Rom. iii. 27.

But *there* is a doctrine, and it is rife in our day in many denominations bearing the Christian name, by which, under the name of justification by faith alone, “boasting” is *not* “excluded.” It so carefully excludes from partnership in the work all *else* but faith, that faith, *as man’s act*, is made the cause of man’s acceptance. Not that CHRIST’s merits are denied, or kept out of view, but that man’s act in applying them to his own behoof is made to give them their efficacy *with regard to him*.

His *reason* and *will* are made agents, instead of patients. He must himself make life his own. He is taught to expect to do so *by* believing, *in* believing, and *because* of believing. It is a mere subtlety, to distinguish this from dependence on his works. Say that his believing is in itself the fruit of irresistible grace, and therefore has no merit.—The same might be said of any or all good works. They are the fruits of grace, and if grace be irresistible, they are as little meritorious as the faith, which, as the sinner’s *act*, is just as much, and neither less nor more, his merit and deserving. Not so have they learned CHRIST who have received Him as Paul proclaimed Him—the Head of the Body and its Saviour. “The Saviour of the Church, which is His Body,” says the apostle\*—But has he not elsewhere said, “It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save those who believe?”† Yes: and where is the contradiction or discrepancy? Not in the saying that those who believe are saved. Does their *faith exclude* them from the Church? Or does the assertion that ‘they are saved,’ imply that they are saved out of the Church, *only* because ‘they believe?’ As well might it be argued that they are saved, not by CHRIST’s merits, but by preaching, because preaching is mentioned in connexion with their faith. How do men believe, except by preaching, either to bring them into the Church, or to teach them in the Church? And how, asks the apostle elsewhere,‡ can they preach, except they be sent? A commission from the Lord to preach and to

\* Eph. v. 23, 25.

† 1 Cor. i. 21.

‡ Rom. x. 15.

minister His sacraments—that is, the “authority” of which the blessed apostle was not ashamed to boast, because it had been given him for the edification of the Church—a commissioned minister must bring men to their LORD, in the fellowship of His Body. There they receive Him and His righteousness by faith, when they put Him on in baptism, and see Him evidently set forth crucified, and drink into His SPIRIT in the sacred feast.\* Is there ought of work, or merit, here? No: but it “it is *of faith*, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to *all* THE SEED; not to that only which is of the Law, but to that also which is of *the faith* of Abraham, who is the father of us all.”† The doctrine of St. Paul and the Church shuts out man from his own redemption, justification, and sanctification,—to shut all up in CHRIST—CHRIST the author and finisher of our faith, calling, gathering, binding us up into Himself—man the mere receiver, striving, as his utmost effort, “if that he may apprehend that *for which* also he is *apprehended of* CHRIST JESUS.”‡

Again, we are accused of derogating from the authority of the written word of God, because the Church is represented as its authorised expounder, rather than every self-appointed teacher who may be able to approve himself as “of CHRIST,” to such as “look on things after the outward appearance.” The man who is dependent on others for the interpretation of the most trivial sentence of its original language, shall claim to expound God’s word at pleasure to his brethren, and then flout me with Popish superstition, because I judge him wrong, on the ground that the Church for fifteen hundred years knew no such interpretation of its contents as he gives!

But who, in truth, are “CHRIST’s,” as reverently listening to His voice in His written word? Not they, surely, who so maintain the paramount authority of Sacred Scripture as to nullify its teaching! But that is done by the vast majority of such as clamorously maintain that the Bible, the Bible alone, is their religion. *Take*

\* Gal. iii. 1. 1 Cor. xii. 13.

† Rom. iv. 16.

‡ Phil. iii. 12.

*them to the Bible*, and quote its plain language—Will they admit it, and accept the oracle? Never, if it clash with any part of their favorite system. They have *their* tradition, to which the sense of Scripture must be made to bend. If St. Peter says, “baptism doth also now save us”—he must be explained by their views of baptism. If St. Paul says, “The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the Body of CHRIST? For we, being many, are one bread, and one Body; for we are all partakers of that one bread”\*—his meaning must be smoothed away and his argument spoiled, to suit their views—too spiritual, forsooth, for his expression! Would they—would any one holding their opinions—have written as the inspired apostles have, in hundreds of passages of Holy Writ, of the Church, and the sacraments, and the ministry and almsgiving, and good works, and the judgment to come, and our fellowship with CHRIST, and the indwelling and operation of the Spirit?† No:—but these all *can be explained* to suit their system; and because it is in the power of ingenuity to evade the force of each separate passage, none shall be allowed to stand, but in the sense which gives harmony and concinnity to *the system*. The Church, meanwhile, has from the beginning known that the Sacred Scriptures, of design, apparently, contain *no system*, probably because man is not capable of such comprehension of his own relations to God as would enable him to receive the statement of them as a system or scientific theory. How could he be? for such comprehension would require that he should know God Himself,—whose wondrous Being what created mind shall ever fathom? and least of all, the mind of poor, sin-defiled, besotted man? No system of divinity do the Sacred Scriptures teach, and no system did the Church presume to frame for five hundred years—the

\* 1, Pet. iii. 21. 1. Cor x. 16, 17.

† Matt. xvi. 17. Eph. i. 23. 1 Tim. iii. 15. Gal. iv. 26. Heb. viii. 2; xii. 23, 24. Rev. i. 12–20. Tit. iii. 5–7. Heb. vi. 1–6; xiii. 10. 1 Cor. x. 16; xi. 27. 2 Cor. iii. 6–9. 1 Jno. iv. 6. Phil. iv. 18. Rom. ii. 5, 6. Jas. ii. 24. 1 Jno. i. 7; ii. 3; iii. 7; iv. 17. Eph. v. 30. 2 Cor. xiii. 5. 1 Cor. vi. 17. et al.



five brightest, best centuries of her existence, when faith was young and fresh and vigorous, and love was strong and bold and willing. Decaying faith sought to build up itself by deft arrangement of God's revealed will, promises and purposes, into cunningly compacted systems: and systematizing theologians invented one after another subtlety, and smoothed away one after another difficulty until they strained and diluted the word of God to suit their ends. It is the humble Christian, who knows no other system than his creeds and prayers, which came down to him together with the Bible from the beginning, that is able to go to God's written word, and takes without abatement or exception every part and parcel of its contents as it stands. *We do so take it.* None do we desire to explain away: not one word to alter: from none to flee. There, as it stands, we accept it, and so as we read it, humbly and devoutly believe it. Dare any of those who clamour about the Bible only, do as much? No, brethren: The Church, the pillar and ground of the truth, alone *can* bear it unbroken and unveiled. The Romanist hides, the sectarian tampers with God's word. Neither has *faith* to accept it, as a child his father's voice; and gladly show to all the world its sayings, from the greatest to the least, as a child his father's signature.

And then the fulness of meaning of the blessed word is miserably lessened by those who professing to be its exclusive champions, challenge the Church for malversation. St. Peter spoke of persons who "*wrest the Sacred Scriptures to their own destruction;*" and St. Paul of those who are "*ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.*"\* The man who has thoroughly learned that article of his creed, 'I believe the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints,' finds in his Bible treasures of consolation, promise and instruction, of which the sectarian never dreams. Vista behind vista opens up to his admiring gaze, as he fixes it on Psalm and

\* 2. Pet. iii. 16. 2. Tim. iii. 8.

prophecy and parable, in which the holy seer speaks of things belonging unto the King. To find himself consoled in all the consolations of CHRIST his LORD, himself glorified in all His glory, himself a sharer in all His conquests and His triumphs, is the privilege of the believer who has learned of Paul the meaning of that last wondrous prayer in which the SAVIOUR sanctified Himself that they who believe on Him through the word of such as He has sent may be one, in Him and the Father, as the Father and He are one.\* The doctrine of *the Church* is the key to the treasure-house of Sacred Scripture—the only key which opens all its chambers, and enables the possessor to turn all its stores, both new and old, to profit. Possessing it, we stand on the vantage ground of Paul, and are able to say with him, in this matter also, to those who trust to themselves that they are CHRIST's, that as they are CHRIST's, even so are we CHRIST's, in loving, using and adequately prizing the blessed oracles of God.

But, brethren beloved! whilst we vindicate our due appreciation of the written word of God and of the office of faith in justifying, against those who err on the one hand, and our belief of our LORD's real presence in His Church to rule and save it, against those who have corrupted the true notion of it, on the other—it will avail us little to be speculatively right, and nicely to have preserved the just medium between the opposing tendencies to evil, unless the truth that we adhere to and uphold, be to us a *living* truth, operative equally in our hearts and lives, and giving its own evidence to others in its fruits of righteousness and true holiness. CHRIST *in us* making us like Himself must confirm our doctrine of His presence in His Body and our membership of that Body, or it will be worse than useless to boast of an authority which however certainly derived from Him, and however surely given by Him only for the edification of His spiritual House, may by our abuse of it be turned to the

\* Jno. xvii. 20—23.

destruction of ourselves and others. It cannot be too often impressed upon us, that the higher our privileges, the greater our danger in their abuse—the closer our union with **CHRIST**, the more horrible our downfall and undoing if we be joined as dead corpses to His living Body, polluting by our festering rottenness its glorious purity. “Hereby we know that He abideth in us, by the **SPIRIT** which He hath given us.”\* “If any man have not the **SPIRIT** of **CHRIST**, he is none of His.” “Love, joy, peace, long suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance”—these are the fruits of the **SPIRIT**, “in all goodness and righteousness and truth.” If these things be in us and abound, making us neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our **LORD JESUS CHRIST**,† they shall uphold the authority given us of Him, and bring it to its perfect work in the edification of His Body. Even the outward appearance shall conciliate love for the inward truth, and we shall need no other epistles of commendation than men’s hearts acknowledging us to be of **CHRIST** “even as they trust to themselves that they are **CHRIST**’s.”

\* 1 Jno. iii. 24.

† Rom. viii. 9. Gal. v. 22. 2. Pet. i. 8.

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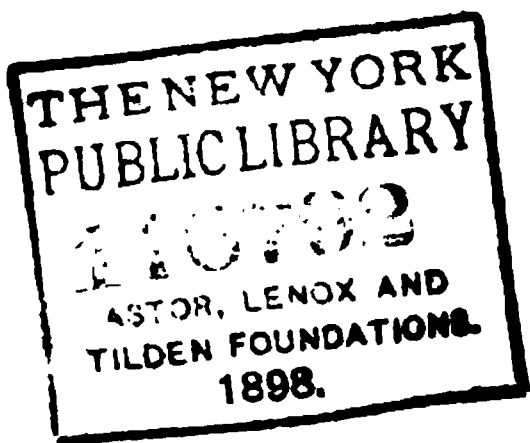
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**Rev. George F. Worthington, residing in Baltimore county.**

**Rev. Thomas James Wyatt, Assistant Minister of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.**

**Rev. William E. Wyatt, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore.**

Whole number, 101.

**Rev. Libertus Van Bokkelen, (of the Diocese of New York,) Rector elect of St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county, and Rector of St. Timothy's Hall, Catonsville.**

LIST OF  
PARISHES AND CONGREGATIONS  
IN THE  
DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

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***Allegany County :***

**Emmanuel Parish.**

**St. Peter's Church, Lonaconing.**

**[St. Paul's Church, Frostburg ; Christ Church Parish.]**

***Anne Arundel County :***

**All Hallows' Parish.**

**Queen Caroline Parish.**

**Severn Parish.**

**St. Ann's Parish.**

**St. James's Parish.**

**St. Margaret's Westminster Parish.**

**Ellicott's Chapel, Patuxent Forge.**

**Grace Church, Elkridge Landing.**

**Grace Church, Ellicott's Mills.**

**St. John's Church, Howard District.**

***Baltimore City :***

**St. Paul's Parish.**

**Church of the Ascension.**

**Church of the Redemption.**

**Christ Church.**

**Cranmer Chapel.**

**Mount Calvary Church.**

**St. Andrew's Church.**

**St. Stephen's Church.**

**St. Peter's Church.**

**St. James's (First African) Church.**

**Trinity Church.**

***Baltimore County :***

St. James's Parish.  
St. Thomas's Parish.  
St. John Baptist's Church, Huntingdon.  
St. John's Church (in the Valley.)  
St. Timothy's Church.  
Sherwood Chapel, Cockeysville.

***Baltimore and Carrol Counties :***

Parish of the Holy Trinity.

***Baltimore and Harford Counties :***

St. John's Parish.

***Calvert County :***

All Saints' Parish.  
Christ Church Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.

***Caroline County :***

St. John's Parish.  
St. Mary Whitechapel Parish.

***Carrol County :***

Parish of the Ascension.

***Cecil County :***

St. Augustine's Parish.  
St. Mary Anne's Parish.  
St. Stephen's Parish.  
Trinity Church, Elkton.

***Charles County :***

Durham Parish.  
Port Tobacco Parish.  
Trinity Parish.  
William and Mary Parish.

***District of Columbia :***

Rock Creek Parish.  
Washington Parish.  
Parish of the Ascension, Washington.  
Parish of the Epiphany, Washington.  
St. John's Parish, Washington.  
Trinity Parish, Washington.  
St. John's Church, Georgetown.  
Christ Church, Georgetown.

***Dorchester County :***

Dorchester Parish.  
East Newmarket Parish.  
Great Choptank Parish.  
Vienna Parish.

***Frederick County :***

All Saints' Parish.  
St. Mark's Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.  
Zion Parish.

***Harford County :***

St. George's Parish.  
St. John's Parish.  
Christ Church.

***Kent County :***

Chester Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.  
Shrewsbury Parish.

***Montgomery County :***

Prince George Parish.  
St. Bartholomew's Parish.  
St. Peter's Parish.  
St John's Church, St. Bartholomew's Parish.

***Prince George's County :***

Parish of the Holy Trinity.  
Queen Anne Parish.  
St. John's Parish.  
St. Matthew's Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.  
Zion Parish.  
Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough.

***Prince George's and Charles Counties :***

St. John's Parish.

***Queen Anne County :***

Christ Church Parish.  
St. Luke's Parish.  
St. Paul's Parish.

***St. Mary's County :***

All Faith Parish.  
King and Queen Parish.  
St. Andrew's Parish.  
William and Mary Parish.

***Somerset County :***

Somerset Parish.  
Spring Hill Parish.  
Stepney Parish.  
Grace Church, Hungary Neck.

***Somerset and Worcester Counties :***

Coventry Parish.

***Talbot County :***

St. Michael's Parish.  
St. Peter's Parish.

***Washington County :***

St. John's Parish.  
St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring.  
St. Paul's Church, Sharpsburg.  
St. Thomas's Church, Hancock.

***Worcester County :***

All Hallows' Parish.  
St. John's Parish.  
Worcester Parish.

In all, *seventy-one* Parishes and *thirty* incorporated Congregations.

## LAY DELEGATES

*Who attended this Convention, and the Parishes and Churches which they represented.*

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### *Allegany County :*

Thomas Shriver, Emmanuel Parish.

### *Anne Arundel County :*

George Cooke, Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish.

J. Watkins Ligon, St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish.

John L. Gardner, St. Anne's Parish, Annapolis.

Thomas J. Dorsett, All Hallows' Parish.

Samuel Cheston, St. James' Parish.

Benjamin Mullikin, Ellicott's Chapel.

Stevens Gambrill, Severn Church.

Robert E. Dorsey, Grace Church, Elkridge Landing.

### *Baltimore City :*

Samuel I. Donaldson, }  
Thomas S. Alexander, } St. Paul's Parish.

George A. Hughes, Mount Calvary Church.

James Carroll, Christ Church.

Enoch M. Lowry, St. Andrew's Church.

Thomas H. Freeland, Church of the Ascension.

J. J. Stewart, Church of the Redemption.

William Krebs, St. Peter's Church.

George W. Richardson, Cranmer Chapel.

James Mason Campbell, St. Stephen's Church.

Benjamin Orrick, Trinity Church.

### *Baltimore County :*

John Glenn, }  
James Gibson, } St. Timothy's Church.

John Gibson, St. John's Church, Huntington.

Richard H. Owen, St. Thomas' Parish.

### *Baltimore and Carroll Counties :*

William H. Warfield, Holy Trinity Parish.

***Baltimore and Harford Counties :***

Robert S. Wilson, St. John's Parish.

***Calvert County :***

Thomas Grahame, All Saints' Parish.

James A. Boon, Christ Church Parish.

***Carroll County :***

Isaac Van Bibber, Ascension Parish.

Henry E. Ballard, St. Margaret's Westminster Parish.

***Cecil County :***

Henry Chamberlaine, St. Mary Anne's Parish.

Richard C. Holliday, Trinity Church, Elkton.

Thomas V. Ward, St. Stephen's Parish.

Benjamin W. Harris, St. Augustine's Parish.

***Charles County :***

William Matthews, Trinity Parish.

John G. Chapman, Port Tobacco Parish.

David Jenifer, Jr., William and Mary Parish.

***District of Columbia :***

Richard S. Coxe, Trinity Parish, Washington.

William Maynadier, Church of the Epiphany, Washington.

W. B. Scott, St. John's Parish, Washington.

B. K. Sharretts, Church of the Ascension, Washington.

Philip T. Berry, Christ Church, Georgetown.

Charles E. Mix, St. John's Church, Georgetown.

Washington Berry, Rock Creek Parish.

***Dorchester County :***

Thomas W. Anderson, Great Choptank Parish.

William R. Travers, Dorchester Parish.

***Frederick County :***

Thomas W. Johnston, All Saints' Parish.

Henry A. Johnson, St. Paul's Parish.

John H. T. McPherson, Zion Parish.

Thomas J. Clagett, St. Mark's Parish.

***Harford County :***

William M. Maynadier, Christ Church.

*Kent County :*

John C. Hynson, St. Paul's Parish.  
E. F. Chambers, Chester Parish.

*Montgomery County :*

Allen B. Davis, St. Bartholomew's Parish.  
Stephen N. C. White, St. Peter's Parish.  
E. John Hall, St. John's Church.

*Prince George's County :*

Grafton Tyler, Trinity Parish.  
Thomas Berry, St. John's Parish.  
William R. Burke, St. Paul's Parish.  
Thomas Duckett, Queen Anne Parish.  
William Holmes, Zion Parish.

*Prince George and Charles Counties :*

Thomas J. Marshall, St. John's Parish.

*Queen Anne County :*

Jacob Winchester, Christ Church Parish.  
William Carmichael, St. Paul's Parish.  
William Gould, Sr., St. Luke's Parish.

*St. Mary's County :*

William H. Hebb, William and Mary Parish.  
Thomas Maddox, King and Queen Parish.

*Somerset County.*

George Riall, Stepney Parish.  
Benjamin Parsons, Springhill Parish.  
William W. Johnston, Somerset Parish.  
Thomas W. Stone, Grace Church, Hungary Neck.

*Somerset and Worcester Counties :*

William Williams, Coventry Parish.

*Talbot County :*

Richard F. Helmsley, St. Peter's Parish.

*Washington County :*

Thomas Schnebly, } St. John's Parish.  
Frederick Dorsey, }



## **RULES OF ORDER.**

**1st.** The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

**2d.** This Convention shall sit for the despatch of business, at 9 o'clock, A. M. and 4 o'clock, P. M. on each day of its session.

**3d.** Every member shall take his seat when the President takes the Chair, and remain uncovered until the Convention adjourn.

**4th.** At the opening of each session of the Convention, as soon as the President takes the chair, the names of the clergy, who were entitled to seats at the preceding Convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention ; or, in case of his absence, by a Secretary pro tem. to be appointed by the President. The lay Delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table of the Secretary, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be found present, the President shall thereupon declare the fact, and announce that the Convention is organised and ready for business. A Secretary shall be elected. The following committees shall then be appointed by the chair : One of elections, to consist of three, to whom the testimonials of the lay delegates shall be referred ; one on accounts, to consist of three ; one on parochial contributions, to consist of three ; one on the admission of new parishes and churches into union with this Convention, to consist of five members ; and one on the right of clergymen to seats in this Convention, to consist of three clergymen.

**5th.** If the Bishop of the Diocese shall not be present at any meeting of the Convention, at the opening of the same, the names of the clergy who were entitled to seats at the preceding Convention, shall be called over by the Secretary of the last Convention ; or, in case of his absence, by the first named member of the standing committee who may be present. The lay delegates shall lay their certificates of appointment on the table, and subscribe the declaration required by the constitution. If a constitutional quorum be present, a President, pro tempore, shall be elected, agreeably to the seventh article of the constitution. A Secretary shall be elected ; and then the chair shall appoint the several committees mentioned in the fourth rule of order.

**6th.** The standing committee for the preceding year shall be the committee on the state of the church ; and all parochial reports shall be referred to the said committee.

7th. Every member who shall deliver his opinions, or speak in any debate, shall stand up in his place ; and with respect and decency, address himself to the President.

8th. If two or more members shall rise to speak at the same time, the President shall declare who shall speak first.

9th. No member shall speak more than twice in any debate, except with leave ; nor shall any member be interrupted while he is speaking in order. And if any member shall rise to speak more than twice on the same question, without leave, the President shall call him to order.

10th. Any member called to order by the President, or by a member, shall thereupon take his seat.

11th. When the Convention is sitting, no member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt any member who may be speaking in a debate.

12th. No motion shall be debated until the same be seconded ; and if desired by the President, reduced to writing, and read by the Secretary.

13th. When a motion is made and seconded, the matter of the motion shall receive a determination by the question, unless postponed by a motion for postponement, or by the previous question, before any other motion shall be received.

14th. If a question in debate contains more parts than one, any member may have the same divided into as many questions as there are parts.

15th. All questions of order shall be decided by the President. Upon all questions of order there shall be a right of appeal from the decision of the presiding officer of the Convention.

16th. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Convention, unless he may have leave, or be unable to attend.

17th. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the Convention ; and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session, except with the consent of two-thirds of the Convention.

18th. The foregoing rules of order shall be deemed and considered the rules of order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded ; and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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## **OF THE**

### **PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION.**

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**BALTIMORE, MAY 28, 1845.**

This being the day appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland, a number of the clergy and laity assembled, at 9 o'clock, A. M., in St. Paul's Church.

Morning Prayer having been previously read at 6 o'clock ;  
The Litany was read by the Rev. E. M. Van Deusen.

The Bishop of the Diocese took the chair, and called the Convention to order.

The list of clergy entitled to seats in the last Convention was called over by the Secretary, when thirty-four members answered to their names, as follows :

<b>Rt. Rev. W. R. Whittingham,</b>	<b>Rev. Adolph Frost,</b>
<b>Rev. Henry Aisquith,</b>	<b>" Stephen G. Gassaway,</b>
<b>" Wm. F. Brand,</b>	<b>" Levin I. Gilliss,</b>
<b>" Jas. A. Buck,</b>	<b>" R. L. Goldsborough,</b>
<b>" D. H. Buel,</b>	<b>" Robt. W. Goldsborough,</b>
<b>" Samuel Buel,</b>	<b>" Samuel R. Gordon,</b>
<b>" John Crosdale,</b>	<b>" Hugh T. Harrison,</b>
<b>" Thos. B. Flower,</b>	<b>" Hector Humphreys, D. D.</b>
<b>" John W. French,</b>	<b>" Orlando Hutton,</b>

**Rev. John B. Kerfoot,**  
 “ George A. Leakin,  
 “ Meyer Lewin,  
 “ Theodore B. Lyman,  
 “ Jas. A. McKenney,  
 “ Joshua Morsell,  
 “ Joshua Peterkin,  
 “ Wm. Pinkney,

**Rev. Joseph Spencer,**  
 “ Harvey Stanley,  
 “ Horace Stringfellow,  
 “ Edwin M. Van Deusen,  
 “ John Wiley,  
 “ Henry Williams,  
 “ George F. Worthington,

The following Lay Delegates presented their testimonials, and signed the declaration required by the second article of the Constitution :

Samuel Cheston,  
 Samuel I. Donaldson,  
 George Cooke,  
 George A. Hughes,  
 James Carroll,  
 Enoch M. Lowery,  
 Richard S. Coxe,  
 John L. Gardner,  
 Grafton Tyler,  
 Wm. M. Maynadier,  
 Thos. H. Freeland,  
 Thos. Berry,  
 Henry Chamberlaine,  
 Henry Ballard,  
 Geo. Riall,  
 Thos. W. Anderson,  
 A. B. Davis,  
 Thos. S. Alexander,  
 W. Williams,  
 Wm. Maynadier,  
 Jacob Winchester,  
 Thos. Schnebley,

R. H. Owen,  
 Washington Berry,  
 Wm. H. Warfield,  
 Benjamin Parsons,  
 T. J. Dorsett,  
 P. F. Berry,  
 Chas. E. Mix,  
 Thos. W. Johnson,  
 Wm. H. Hebb,  
 Wm. W. Johnston,  
 Thos. J. Marshall,  
 R. C. Holliday,  
 Thos. Shriver,  
 Robert S. Wilson,  
 T. Watkins Ligon,  
 Joseph J. Stewart,  
 Wm. Krebs,  
 Isaac Van Bibber,  
 John C. Hynson,  
 W. K. Travers,  
 George W. Richardson.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to elect, *viva voce*, a Secretary to the Convention.

Whereupon Hervey Colburn was declared to be unanimously re-elected.

The chair appointed the Rev. F. A. Baker, Assistant Secretary. The Standing Committees were then announced, as follows :

**ON THE RIGHTS OF CLERGYMEN TO SEATS.**

Rev. Dr. Wyatt, Rev. Mr. Peterkin, Rev. Mr. Van Deusen.

**ON ELECTION OF LAY DELEGATES.**

Thos. S. Alexander, Esq., Com. Henry Ballard, Grafton S. Tyler.

**ON PAROCHIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Rev. Mr. French, Rev. Mr. Stanley, Mr. Thos. W. Anderson.

**ON ACCOUNTS.**

Rev. H. T. Harrison, Mr. Henry Chamberlaine,  
Mr. Allen B. Davis.

**ON ADMISSION OF NEW CONGREGATIONS.**

Rev. Jas. A. McKenney, Rev. Samuel Buel, S. I. Donaldson, Esq.,  
Richard S. Coxe, Esq., Maj. John L. Gardner.

The Bishop stated that he was prepared to deliver his Address, if the house was ready to receive it. Whereupon, on motion, the Bishop was requested to proceed with his Address.

The Address was then read as follows :

*Brethren of the Clergy and Laity :*

It is a wholesome beginning of the work for which we come together, to call to mind those who partook in it with us at our last assemblage, but now sleep in Jesus. We need to be so reminded of the night which is coming, wherein no man can work, and stirred up to give increased diligence, that when our call comes, it may find us watching, with our loins girded and our lights burning.

Thus both were found, whom God, in His wise providence, hath seen fit to remove from the work of the ministry in this diocese during the past year. One in the decline of life, after many years of faithful and successful labors; the other in the very flower of manhood, giving promise to the Church of no ordinary advantage from the unsparing outlay of vigorous faculties of mind and body; both, to the very moment of their mortal illness, were wholly devoted to their Master's service. For Him alone they lived: in the full possession of His unspeakable consolations, and in the peace that passeth understanding, they willingly resigned their souls to Him. The young man in his strength, and the elder in his wisdom and experience, were alike content to wait upon the Lord, in the simplicity and humble confidence of a little child. The one Spirit who wrought in both, gave them, in their very diverse circumstances, a remarkable sameness of disposition and expression in their dying hours. Patient and cheerful waiting for the Lord, rejoicing in the fulfillment of His holy will, characterised equally the sudden, brief, and violent illness of our brother, the late Reverend Henry Crosdale, and the gradual decay, but somewhat unexpected and rapid dissolution of our long-tried, widely known, and universally beloved associate, the late Reverend William Hawley. Mr. Crosdale, a native of the diocese, had devoted to it his ministry, of nearly eight years duration, from the beginning. For the last year, he had been one of those whom, without naming them, I felt bound to mention to the last Convention, as "preaching" to us all, "by an example more powerful than any language," the too much neglected duty of furnishing the Gospel and the means of grace to those who, from any cause, are hindered of their enjoyment. Mr. Hawley, too, was then mentioned, though not by name, as one of the *seven* of the clergy then engaged in the duties of the ministry, who only, out of nearly a hundred, had been in the diocese twenty years. His name, at the time of his death, stood fourth upon the roll of our clergy, where it had stood for

*twenty-seven* years; all spent, by a rare instance of quiet and steady perseverance, in the parish of which he died in charge. There, in the midst of the people whom he loved and served so well, beneath the walls of the Church which had been so long his joy and pride, his body rests in hope, to rise at his SAVIOUR'S calling, in company with many fruits of his long and faithful labor, granted to him as the crown of his rejoicing in that day.

Beside these losses by death, the diocese has in the last year lost *five* of its clergy by removal. The Rev. Thomas Billopp, after nearly eighteen years ministration among us, has taken letters dimissory to the diocese of Delaware. The Rev. John W. Hoffman and the Rev. Sappington W. Crampton, have taken letters dimissory to the diocese of Pennsylvania; the Rev. Kensey John Stewart to the diocese of Delaware; and the Rev. Gordon Winslow to the diocese of New York.

To compensate these losses, the list of clergy has gained by ordination, *three* deacons, the Rev. Dwight Edwards Lyman, the Rev. Meyer Lewin, and the Rev. Francis Asbury Baker; and by removal from other dioceses, *one* deacon and *seven* priests, viz: by letters dimissory from the Bishop of New York, the Rev. Smith Pyne; from the Bishop of Virginia, the Rev. John Martin, the Rev. Cleland K. Nelson, and the Rev. William Nelson Pendleton; from the Bishop of Kentucky, the Rev. Joshua Sweet, and the Rev. John Alexander Adams; from the Bishop of the North Western Missionary Diocese, the Rev. William Walsh; and from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Edward C. Jones, deacon.

Thus, after *two* deaths and *five* removals, *three* ordinations and *eight* removals have increased the number of clergy in the diocese (the bishop included) to *one hundred and one*; beside whom there is one, the Rev. Libertus Van Bokkelen, resident and discharging the duties of a rectorship to which he has been elected, but owing to the present calamity of the diocese of New York, not able to obtain canonical letters of dismission. I find

*eighty-seven* of the clergy entitled to seats in the Convention—being nine more than at our last assemblage. Thus, also, of the laity, there are qualifications for *ninety-seven* delegates; *five* more than at last year's Convention. Of the clergy, *seventy-two* are rectors of parishes; *three* assistant ministers; *two* presidents of colleges; *eight* instructors in incorporated seminaries of learning; *eleven* teachers of schools; *five* missionaries by appointment of the ecclesiastical authority; *one* otherwise statedly officiating; *one* a chaplain in the United States Navy; *two* disabled by ill health; and *one* superannuated.

I have again to complain of too many and too frequent changes; although I think there is a tendency to a better state of things, and have been glad to find a general concurrence, among both clergy and laity, in the views on this subject that I have felt it my duty so often and so strongly to express to the Convention. We never shall experience the power of the Gospel nor see the beauty of the Church, until we give the relation of the minister to his flock more permanence and depth. A shifting ministry makes a starveling people. Unsettledness in the clergy unsettles doctrine, discipline, and practice in the laity. Much, very much of the shallowness of religious knowledge and profession that prevails among us in such a lamentable degree, is attributable to the migratory nature of the lives of so many of the clergy. No doubt they are in some degree answerable for the evil; but mainly, brethren of the laity, it is chargeable, with all its awful consequences, at your door, on account of the insufficiency of provision for the temporal wants of your ministers, and the strange indifference which many among you, who, in other respects, seem to be faithful, right-hearted men, allow yourselves to manifest to a duty as plainly enjoined by the word of God as any other—that of maintaining, in decency and comfort, those who are over you in the Lord, and give themselves wholly to labor in the word and doctrine. I know that some of the changes I am about to mention, have been made with great reluctance,



***Baltimore and Harford Counties :***

Robert S. Wilson, St. John's Parish.

***Calvert County :***

Thomas Grahame, All Saints' Parish.

James A. Boon, Christ Church Parish,

***Carroll County :***

Isaac Van Bibber, Ascension Parish.

Henry E. Ballard, St. Margaret's Westminster Parish.

***Cecil County :***

Henry Chamberlaine, St. Mary Anne's Parish.

Richard C. Holliday, Trinity Church, Elkton.

Thomas V. Ward, St. Stephen's Parish.

Benjamin W. Harris, St. Augustine's Parish,

***Charles County :***

William Matthews, Trinity Parish.

John G. Chapman, Port Tobacco Parish.

David Jenifer, Jr., William and Mary Parish.

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Richard S. Coxe, Trinity Parish, Washington.

William Maynadier, Church of the Epiphany, Washington.

W. B. Scott, St. John's Parish, Washington.

B. K. Sharretts, Church of the Ascension, Washington.

Philip T. Berry, Christ Church, Georgetown.

Charles E. Mix, St John's Church, Georgetown.

Washington Berry, Rock Creek Parish.

***Dorchester County :***

Thomas W. Anderson, Great Choptank Parish.

William R. Travers, Dorchester Parish.

***Frederick County :***

Thomas W. Johnston, All Saints' Parish.

Henry A. Johnson, St. Paul's Parish.

John H. T. McPherson, Zion Parish.

Thomas J. Clagett, St. Mark's Parish.

***Harford County :***

William M. Maynadier, Christ Church,

***Kent County :***

John C. Hynson, St. Paul's Parish.  
E. F. Chambers, Chester Parish.

***Montgomery County :***

Allen B. Davis, St. Bartholomew's Parish.  
Stephen N. C. White, St. Peter's Parish.  
E. John Hall, St. John's Church.

***Prince George's County :***

Grafton Tyler, Trinity Parish.  
Thomas Berry, St. John's Parish.  
William R. Burke, St. Paul's Parish.  
Thomas Duckett, Queen Anne Parish.  
William Holmes, Zion Parish.

***Prince George and Charles Counties :***

Thomas J. Marshall, St. John's Parish.

***Queen Anne County :***

Jacob Winchester, Christ Church Parish.  
William Carmichael, St. Paul's Parish.  
William Gould, Sr., St. Luke's Parish.

***St. Mary's County :***

William H. Hebb, William and Mary Parish.  
Thomas Maddox, King and Queen Parish.

***Somerset County.***

George Riall, Stepney Parish.  
Benjamin Parsons, Springhill Parish.  
William W. Johnston, Somerset Parish.  
Thomas W. Stone, Grace Church, Hungary Neck.

***Somerset and Worcester Counties :***

William Williams, Coventry Parish.

***Talbot County :***

Richard F. Helmsley, St. Peter's Parish.

***Washington County :***

Thomas Schnebly, } St. John's Parish.  
Frederick Dorsey, }

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the missionary station which he has served since his admission to Holy Orders. The Rev. Norris M. Jones has resigned the rectorship of Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne county. The Rev. Henry S. Keppler has resigned the rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore, and taken charge of the Parish of the Holy Trinity, Prince George county, thus becoming the first rector of that new Parish, formed at the last Convention. The Rev. George Armistead Leakin, has ceased to be the assistant Minister of Christ Church, Baltimore, having accepted the rectorship of Trinity Church, a new congregation raised by his own zealous and indefatigable labors, on Fell's Point in this city, and now actually worshipping in a small but very neat and chaste church edifice, erected within the year. The Rev. Meyer Lewin, deacon, has accepted the rectorship of Stepney Parish, Somerset county, and officiates also for the new congregation in Hungary Neck, in the same county, which owes its existence to the voluntary missionary labors of our lamented brother, the late Rev. Henry Crosdale. The Rev. Dwight E. Lyman has been elected assistant minister of St. John's Parish, Washington county. The Rev. Richard H. Phillips, formerly assistant minister of Zion Parish, Frederick county, has been elected to the rectorship of that Parish, upon the resignation of the late rector, the Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Senior. The Rev. Robert Piggott, rector of the Church of the Redemption, Baltimore, has been elected to the rectorship of Cranmer Chapel, in the same city. The Rev. Kensey J. Stewart has resigned the rectorship of Springhill and Stepney Parishes, Somerset county. The Rev. Elie W. Stokes, deacon, is absent from the diocese on leave, on a visit to the Island of Trinidad. The Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Senior, has resigned the rectorship of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, and now officiates under appointment by the ecclesiastical authority, as a missionary in the Parish of All Saints', Frederick county. The Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Junior, has resigned the rectorship of Trinity Church, Upper Malborough, and accepted that of St. Andrew's

Church, Baltimore. The Rev. Russell Trevett has resigned the assistant ministership of St. John's Parish, Washington county. The Rev. James C. Wheat, deacon, has been appointed Principal of the incorporated Academy in Hagerstown. The Rev. George F. Worthington has been constrained by ill health to relinquish his engagements at St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore, and is now, by a temporary discontinuance of his ministry, seeking the re-establishment of his health and strength, of which he has always been so prodigal in the discharge of duty. The Rev. Thomas J. Wyatt has resigned the rectorship of All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county, and is officiating as assistant Minister in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore. The Rev. Smith Pyne, having been the assistant minister of St. John's Church, Washington, for several months preceding the death of the late Rector, was, upon that event, unanimously elected to succeed in the rectorship, and is now awaiting the Institution which has been requested by the Vestry of the congregation. The Rev. John Martin has been elected rector of St. John's Parish, Prince George county. The Rev. Joshua Sweet has been elected rector of Christ Church Parish, Calvert county. The Rev. William Walsh has accepted the rectorship of Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne county. The Rev. Cleland K. Nelson has taken charge of Trinity Church, Upper Malborough, Prince George county. The Rev. William N. Pendleton, Principal of St. Luke's School in the city of Baltimore, officiates as rector in Sherwood Church, and in St. John's Church, Baltimore county. The Rev. Edward C. Jones, Deacon, is officiating as a city missionary in Georgetown, D. C., with a fair prospect of establishing a third congregation in that city. The Rev. Francis A. Baker, Deacon, is officiating occasionally under my direction, previously to engagement in missionary duty in the city of Baltimore.

On the whole, I can review these changes with less dissatisfaction than has been produced by similar retrospects in preceding years. A decided increase of clerical labour in the diocese has

been the result ; and as well as I can judge, that labor has never been more equally diffused, or more efficiently and acceptably exercised, than at present.

My own labors during the past year have been sadly interrupted and diminished. Three entire months, adding all together, have been occupied by extra-diocesan duties. Of the remainder, a part was the season of the year when the state of the weather and roads precludes the attempt at visitation ; a part broken into intervals of extra-diocesan employment too uncertain and too short to admit of application to diocesan visitations under the canonical provision ; and a large part, recently, consumed by the languor and inaction of a sickroom. Even now, the affection of voice which brought my visitation in the lower counties to a sudden termination on the 11th of April, though in a great degree removed, disqualifies me for such participation in religious services, and in the proceedings of this Convention, as befits the office I bear and the reasonable expectations of the diocese.

Of my engagements out of the diocese, at the meetings of the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, of the Board of Missions, of the General Convention of the Church, and of the Court convened for the trial of the Bishop of New York, you are already sufficiently informed from other sources.

I have ordained, during the year, *three* deacons, and *three* priests. The Trinity ordination, on Trinity Sunday, June the 2d, 1844, was holden in St. John's Church, Hagerstown, when I admitted to the Holy Order of Deacons Dwight Edwards Lyman and Meyer Lewin. When I say that the last named reverend brother is of the number of the children of the elder promises, you may conceive with what glad thanksgiving I enjoyed the privilege of setting him apart to serve in the Gospel, and become a herald of that better covenant by which the Law has been done away. I preached the sermon on the occasion, and administered the Holy Communion to a large number of devout participants. The candidates were presented by the Rev. Theodore B.

Lyman, and the Rev. Messrs. Pinkney, Kerfoot, Trevett, Riley, Wheat and Frost were present and assisting in the services.

The Autumnal Ordination, on Sunday, the sixteenth after Trinity, September 22d, was holden in St. John's Church, Washington. I then admitted the Rev. John M. Todd, Deacon, to the Holy Order of Priests, preaching and administering the Holy Communion. The candidate was presented by the Rev. William Hawley, who, with the Rev. Edwin M. Van Deusen, assisted in the imposition of hands and took part in the other services.

The Advent Ordination was hindered by my absence from the diocese.

The Lent Ordination, on the second Sunday in Lent, February 15th, was holden in Christ Church, Baltimore. The Rev. George Armistead Leakin and the Rev. Joshua Morsell, Deacons, were then admitted to the Priesthood, and Francis Asbury Baker to the Holy Order of Deacons. The candidates for the priesthood were presented by the Rev. Dr. Johns, the candidate for the diaconate by the Rev. Alfred A. Miller. The Rev. Dr. Johns, the Rev. Mr. Miller, and the Rev. Reuben Riley, joined in the imposition of hands.

The Trinity Ordination of the current year, which was to have taken place in the District of Columbia, was hindered by my indisposition.

The candidates for Holy Orders admitted in the last year have been *five, viz* : John Augustine Thompson, Joseph C. Passmore, John Neely, Samuel Kerr Stewart, and William Lyttleton Hyland. Mr. James K. Anderson has withdrawn his name from the list of candidates. The present number on the list is *twenty, viz* : John H. Bosley, Charles Tucker, Richard C. Hall, James C. Tracy, Cyrus Waters, Samuel Ridout, M. D., Hanson T. Wilcoxon, Edward J. Rutter, M. D., Christopher B. Wyatt, Joseph J. Nicolson, Arthur J. G. Lalanne, Joseph P. Jenks, Levin W. Trader, Thomas R. B. Trader, Theodore P. Barber, John A. Thompson, Joseph C. Passmore, John Neely, Samuel K. Stewart,

and William L. Hyland. Of these, Messrs. Hall, Wyatt, and T. R. B. Trader, are pursuing their studies in the General Theological Seminary. Messrs. Ridout, Waters, and Wilcoxon are in the Theological Seminary of Virginia. Messrs. Lalanne and Passmore are connected with the College of St. James. Messrs. Tucker, Ridout, Nicolson and Neely, have been licensed as lay-readers.

Licenses as lay readers have also been granted to the following communicants in good standing, *viz*: to William B. McDougall, Benjamin Pendleton, Thomas J. Dorset, and William Sands, M. D.; and to Edmund C. Murdaugh and Robert Nelson, candidates for orders in the Diocese of Virginia (both for limited terms;) and Richard Whittingham, Jr., a candidate for orders in the Diocese of New York.

The routine of my service has been as follows: On the Sunday after the last Convention, which broke up at noon on Saturday, I held the Trinity ordination, as already stated, in St. John's Church, Hagerstown. At a second service in the evening, I preached again in the same Church. The next day, Monday, June the 3d, I attended a meeting of the Trustees of the College of St. James, at the College, and in the evening conducted divine service and addressed the inmates of the institution, in the chapel. The first Sunday after Trinity, June 9th, I officiated in the morning at Cranmer Chapel, in the afternoon at St. James's (First African) Church, Baltimore. From June the 18th to July the 6th, I was in attendance first in the Board of Missions, and then in the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in the City of New York. Sunday, the fifth after Trinity, July 7th, I officiated morning and evening at St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county, administering the Lord's Supper in the morning. On Friday evening, July the 12th, at the request of the Students of the Theological Seminary of Virginia, with the permission of the Bishop of the Diocese, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Alexandria, before the Missionary Association of the

**Theological Seminary of Virginia.** On Sunday, the sixth after Trinity, July 13th, in the morning, it was my privilege to officiate at the first occupation for religious service of the new church of the Epiphany, in Washington city, and on that occasion to preach and administer the Lord's Supper to a large assemblage, filling to overflowing the spacious and very neat edifice, the completion of which in so short a period after the first origination of the congregation, and with a very trifling proportion of indebtedness remaining to be discharged, was a blessing that filled the hearts of all present with deep thankfulness. In the afternoon of the same day, I preached in a school house in Ninth Street to another incipient congregation, then rapidly forming, and since organised, under the unwearied and efficient missionary labors of the Rev. Mr. Gilliss. At night, I preached a third time, in Trinity Church. On the seventh Sunday after Trinity, July 21st, I officiated in the morning for the congregation of Mount Calvary Church, and in the afternoon in Cranmer Chapel, Baltimore; on the latter occasion administering holy baptism to a child. On Monday, July 23d, I attended, by special request, at the annual commencement of the Maryland Institute, in Calvert Hall, Baltimore, and opened it with prayer.

On Thursday, the Feast of St. James the Apostle, I preached, administered the Holy Communion, and confirmed four persons, in St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring, Washington county. In the evening I preached again in the same church. The next day, Friday, July 20th, in St. Thomas's Church, Hancock, I preached and confirmed fourteen persons; and the following day, preached again, and administered the Lord's Supper.

Sunday, July 28th, the eighth after Trinity, in the morning, I preached, confirmed twenty-four persons, and administered the Holy Communion in Emmanuel Church, Cumberland; in the afternoon, I said Evening Prayer, preached, and confirmed two persons, in the temporary Chapel at the Savage Works, where the wonderfully increased and still increasing population demands



more attention than the limited time and distant residence of our missionary leave him at liberty to render. At night, I preached again in Emmanuel Church, Cumberland. Monday, July 29th, I preached in the morning and at night, at the same church. Tuesday, the 30th, I preached, and administered confirmation a second time in St. Thomas's Church, Hancock, adding twelve more persons to the fourteen confirmed there four days before. The inclemency of the weather at my first visit had occasioned the absence of so large a proportion of the candidates. In the evening of the same day, I preached at St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring. The next day, Wednesday, the 30th, I presided at the Examination of the Students of the College of St. James, conducted the religious exercises, attended the meeting of the Trustees, and at the evening devotions in the Chapel, addressed the pupils, after the Term-valedictory of the rector.

Sunday, the ninth after Trinity, August the 4th, I preached and administered the Lord's Supper in St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore.

On Tuesday, August the 6th, I laid the corner stone of Trinity Church, in Bank St. near Bond, on Fell's Point, in the city of Baltimore. The Rev. Messrs. Graham, Syles, Owen, Leakin, Keppler, Miller and Worthington were present and assisting in the services. I delivered an address on the occasion. The congregation for whom this building was thus commenced, were at that time worshipping in Monkur's Institute, under the care of the Rev. Mr. Leakin, then assistant minister of Christ Church. His gratuitous and unsparing labor gathered them together, and to his unwearied exertions and willing assumption of cares and responsibilities of every kind, the success of this effort to replace a congregation long since suffered to perish, is mainly attributable. We have again a "Trinity Church" in Baltimore, and if it continue as it has begun, it will not be long before the glories of the latter house transcend the glory of the former, and efface the painful reminiscences so long associated with the name.

On Wednesday, August 7th, at her own residence, with appropriate accompanying solemnities, I administered the rite of confirmation to a sick member of the Church, in a condition hopeless of recovery. Friday, the 9th of August, I preached in All Saints' Church, Calvert county, at the opening of the Association, and on the next day administered the Lord's Supper in the morning, and made a brief exhortation in the afternoon; other religious services, on both days, being conducted by the clerical brethren in attendance. On the Tenth Sunday after Trinity, August the 11th, I preached in St. James's Church, West River, Anne Arundel county; and on Tuesday, August the 13th, preached and administered the Lord's Supper in the Parish Church of All Hallows' Parish, in the same county. In the afternoon of the same day I administered confirmation to a sick man, with appropriate services, in his chamber.

On the eleventh Sunday after Trinity, August 18th, I officiated morning and evening in St. Ann's Church, Annapolis. On the twelfth Sunday after Trinity, August 28th, in the Union meeting house in Reisterstown, I said Morning Prayer, preached, and administered the Holy Communion, for the first time, so far as I know and believe, of its administration in that place by a minister of the Church. The congregation was large and attentive. At that and other visits to Reisterstown and its vicinity, I have found every reason to believe that the services of a faithful and zealous missionary would be well laid out there for at least a moiety of his time. On the evening of the same day, I conducted religious services for a small assembly in a private house. On Tuesday morning, the 27th of August, I laid the corner-stone of the Church of the Ascension, near the Court House in Westminster, the county town of Carroll county, in the presence of a very numerous assemblage, delivering an address on the occasion. The Rev. Messrs. Austin, Harrison, Graham, Worthington, and D. H. Buel assisted in the religious services. The building thus commenced, and now rapidly advancing to completion, is a very

handsome and substantial stone edifice, in a simple but pure Gothic style. It is the fruit of the labors and prayers of a very few members of the Church, gathered together by the assiduous ministrations of their faithful missionary, under whom the first parish in Carroll county was organised and admitted into union at the last Convention. Their liberal contributions, and the collections made by themselves and their minister in other parts of the diocese, will have raised an enduring monument of pious zeal, when they shall have completed the goodly house of God, which will be the chief ornament of the town in which it stands. On the afternoon of the same day I preached and administered confirmation to two persons in the Union meeting house in Westminster; and at night, in the same place, said the third service, and after a sermon by the Rev. Mr. Graham, on the subject of missions, added a brief exhortation and offered up the concluding prayers. The next day, Wednesday, the 28th, I attended a meeting of the trustees of the Hannah Moore Academy at Reisterstown. It is not to the credit of members of the Church in Baltimore and the adjacent counties, that this Academy, founded by a deceased fellow-member, on the strictest basis of the Church, and administered as it now is, and for some time past has been, by a most competent and worthy principal, on terms of very moderate expense, should not be better supported. It is an eligible place of female education, and as such surely ought to receive its modicum of pupils from among the hundreds of children of the Church that are yearly sent from home.

On the thirteenth Sunday after Trinity, September 1st, in the morning I preached and administered the Lord's Supper, and in the evening preached again, in St. Stephen's Church, Cecil county. Monday, the 2d, I preached and administered the Holy Communion in St. Augustine's Parish Church, in the same county; that parish still continuing vacant, as reported to the last Convention, although kindly supplied with stated services, at considerable inconvenience to himself, by the rector of the

adjoining parish, the Rev. Mr. Wiley. On Tuesday, September the 3d, at the request of the rector and vestry of St. Mary Anne's Parish, Cecil county, I consecrated the parish church of St. Mary, in the village of North East. Although built more than a hundred years ago, this venerable edifice had never been solemnly consecrated, and the occasion of the recent repairs of the interior was very justly thought a fit one for the fulfilment of the neglected duty. I preached on the occasion, confirmed three persons, and administered the Holy Communion. In the afternoon of the same day, in the same parish, I laid the corner stone of a chapel of ease, about nine miles distant from the parish church, and two from the ferry to Havre-de-Grace on the Susquehanna river. The building, of stone, small but neat and commodious, has since been completed, and is now awaiting consecration. In the intervals of the stated services of the rector of the parish, it is supplied by a lay reader and catechist, and is now regularly filled by an orderly and attentive congregation. The Rev. Messrs. Billop, Miller, and Owen, with the rector, the Rev. Mr. Goldsborough, took part in the service at the laying of the corner stone. I delivered the address. On Thursday of the same week, September 5th, I laid the corner stone of a new church in Washington city, to be built by the congregation gathered by the ministrations of the Rev. Mr. Gilliss, and known by the name of the Church of the Ascension. The lot selected for the purpose is the bequest of the late Mrs. Van Ness, adjoining the Orphan Asylum in H street, advantageously situated both as regards distance from the older churches, and in relation to the growth of the city. A large assemblage witnessed the solemnities, which were increased in interest by the presence of no less than ten of the clergy; the Rev. Messrs. Hawley, Pinkney, Gasaway, Shiraz, W. A. Harris, Stewart, J. T. Wilmer, Syle, and Goodrich, and the rector. I delivered an address on the occasion.

On Sunday, the fourteenth after Trinity, September the 8th, in St. John's Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, I preached, confirmed four persons, and celebrated the Holy Communion in the morning, and preached and baptised an infant in the afternoon. On Tuesday, the 10th, I laid the corner stone of Mount Calvary Church, at the junction of Eutaw and Madison streets, Baltimore. The Rev. Messrs. Atkinson, Peck, McJilton, Gordon, R. L. Goldsborough, Harrison, Worthington, Owen, Callahan, Croley, Sweet, and Frost, with the rector, the Rev. Mr. Miller, took part in the services, and I delivered the address. The church thus commenced is now completed in the exterior, and rapidly advancing to completion in the interior. The congregation still worships in its temporary room, with steady increase in numbers and improvement in prospects. I cannot doubt that its beautiful edifice, when finished in the autumn, will be fully occupied by as regular and devout worshippers as now fill the little upper room, where prayer is wont to be daily made through so large a portion of the year.

The next day, Wednesday, September the 11th, I laid another corner stone, for the newly organized congregation of St. Timothy's Church, Catonsville, near Baltimore. The zeal and enterprise of its indefatigable rector, and the munificent liberality of a member of the vestry, had secured the erection on a most eligible site, of a stone building, which, when completed, will be the best model of a country church in Maryland. A numerous assembly convened to witness its solemn commencement, and beside the Rev. Mr. Worthington the rector, ten of the clergy, the Rev. Messrs. Atkinson, Callahan, Frost, R. L. Goldsborough, Gordon, Harrison, McJilton, Miller, Owen and Sweet, took part in the very interesting services. This church, too, is nearly finished; and although the sudden, severe, and long continued illness of its founder, by which he was compelled to forego its charge, has been a very serious drawback to the success of the enterprise, the congregation, for a time under the tem-

porary charge of the Rev. Norris M. Jones, and subsequently under that of the assistant minister, Mr. Frost, has steadily increased, and bids fair to constitute a strong and thriving parish. A number of the German residents in the neighborhood have taken great interest in the ministrations of their countryman, Mr. Frost, and having formally applied for my consent, are taking measures to procure the regular celebration of our services in their own language.

On Sunday, the fifteenth after Trinity, September the 15th, in the morning I preached and administered the Lord's Supper in Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, and in the afternoon, said Evening Prayer and preached in the temporary chapel at the Laurel Factory, Prince George county.

On Friday, the 20th, I said Morning Prayer, preached and celebrated the Holy Communion in St. Bartholomew's Church, Montgomery county. On Saturday, the Feast of St. Matthew, preached, confirmed one person, and administered the Lord's Supper in Christ Church, Rockville.

On Sunday, the sixteenth after Trinity, in the morning held an ordination, already reported, and in the afternoon preached and confirmed two persons in St. John's Church, Washington, D. C.

From the 23d of September to the 6th of November, I was absent from the diocese in the Board of Missions, the General Convention, and the Board of Visitors of the General Theological Seminary. On the twentieth Sunday after Trinity I assisted at the consecration of the Rev. Carlton Chase, D. D., Bishop of New Hampshire, the Rev. Nicholas Hamner Cobbs, D. D., Bishop of Alabama, and the Rev. Cicero Stephen Hawks, Bishop of Missouri, in Christ Church, Philadelphia. On Saturday, October the 26th, I assisted at the consecration of the Rt. Rev. William Jones Boone, M. D., to the Missionary Episcopate for China; of the Rt. Rev. George Washington Freeman, D. D., to the Missionary Episcopate for Arkansas, Texas and the Indian Territory; and

of the Rt. Rev. Horatio Southgate, to the Missionary Episcopate for Turkey and its dependencies, in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia.

On Sunday, the twenty-fifth after Trinity, November the 24th, I preached, on occasion of the special collection for Domestic Missions, in St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, in the morning; and in the afternoon, baptised three adults, confirmed eight persons, and preached in the temporary place of worship of St. John's Church, Huntingdon, near Baltimore; thus gathering the first fruits of that small, but very interesting field of missionary labour. The stone-building in which we then worshipped, with about an acre of adjoining ground, has been purchased by the infant congregation, and will speedily be so altered and arranged as to become a neat and substantial church. An adjoining building, belonging to the property, is now fitting for occupation by a school, and in a few weeks a parochial school will add to the already salutary influence of the mission in the neighborhood.

On Thursday, November the 28th, I attended at St. Stephen's Church, Severn, for the purpose of consecrating that neat and seemly brick edifice, now completed and paid for, little as such a thing seemed likely when its hard-working, self-denying, faithful and hopeful founder, the Rev. Mr. Aisquith, first commenced it, six years ago. The day was unfavorable, and although the church was nearly filled, it was deemed advisable, in consideration of some individuals deeply interested and unable to face the very inclement weather, to postpone the solemnity. I preached, confirmed three persons, and administered the Holy Communion.

On the first Sunday in Advent, December 1st, in the morning, I administered the Lord's Supper in St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore; in the afternoon, visited and addressed the Sunday school of Cranmer Chapel, said Evening Prayer and preached; and at night, preached again in St. Stephen's Church. On Friday, December 6th, I administered Holy Baptism to an adult, in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

From December the 7th to January 10th, I was absent from the Diocese, on the Ecclesiastical Trial in New York, in which I served the Court as clerk.

Septuagesima Sunday, January 19th, I preached in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

Sexagesima Sunday, January 26th, in the morning, in Cranmer Chapel, Baltimore, I preached and confirmed eight persons; and at night, at the quarterly sermon before the Sunday school teachers in Baltimore, in St. Peter's Church, after the sermon by the Rev. Mr. Atkinson, I made a brief address to the congregation and offered the concluding prayers. Quinquagesima Sunday, February 2d, I officiated in Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, the rector being confined by illness. Sunday, the first in Lent, February 9th, I preached in St. Peter's Church, Baltimore. Sunday, the second in Lent, February 16th, I held the Lent ordination in Christ Church, Baltimore, preaching and administering the Holy Communion. Sunday, the third in Lent, February 23d, in the morning, I preached and administered the Lord's Supper in the Union meeting house at Westminster, Carroll county; in the afternoon, I administered confirmation to two aged persons at their own residence, with appropriate services, a congregation being specially convened for the purpose; at night I preached again in the Union meeting house. The next day, the Feast of St. Matthew, I said Morning Prayer and preached in the same place. Tuesday, February 25th, I said Morning Prayer, preached, confirmed two persons, and administered the Lord's Supper in the Union meeting house at Lisbon, Anne Arundel county. Sunday, the fourth in Lent, March 2nd, in the morning I said Morning Prayer, preached and administered the Lord's Supper in St. Timothy's Church, Catonsville, and in the afternoon said Evening Prayer and preached again. On Tuesday evening, March 4th, I had the high gratification of saying Evening Prayer in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, before a lecture on the subject of our missions in the East, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Southgate. On



Friday, the 7th, I took part in a very interesting series of services in the chapel of the State Penitentiary, in which the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, and the Rev. Messrs. Atkinson, Thomas J. Wyatt, Miller, Leakin, Winchester, Gordon and Hewitt, participated. On that occasion the sacrament of Baptism was administered to four penitents, I confirmed thirteen individuals after a long previous trial and preparation by the Rev. Dr. Wyatt, and ten were admitted to the privilege of Communion in the Supper of the Lord with the assisting clergymen and two visiting laymen. The whole body of male prisoners were present, and seemed to have a serious interest in the solemn transactions witnessed.

On Sunday, the fifth in Lent, March 9th, I had the pleasure of preaching at the opening for public worship of the new edifice of which I had laid the corner stone six months before at Trinity Church, Fell's Point, Baltimore. Small in dimensions, and moderate in cost, this building, with its high pointed ceiling, long narrow windows, receding chancel and triple lancet chancel-window of stained glass, has a truly solemn and church like air that shows how much may be effected with very scanty means by taste and skill like those of its talented architect, Mr. Robert Carey Long, of Baltimore, to whom we are indebted also for the excellence of three other churches now erecting from his plans, St. Timothy's, Catonsville; Mount Calvary, Baltimore; and the Church of the Ascension, Westminster. Trinity Church was crowded at every service, on the day of its opening, and I am happy to hear that the attendances have continued to be so large, that the Vestry, only recently organized, have an enlargement of their hardly finished church already in contemplation.

On Sunday, the sixth in Lent, March 16th, I preached and administered Confirmation to thirty-three persons in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

On Easter even, in the temporary place of worship of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore, I delivered an address upon occasion of the Baptism of several adults, administered by the rector

of the congregation. Easter day, March 23d, I said Morning Prayer, preached and administered the LORD's Supper in the morning, and said Evening Prayer and preached in the afternoon, at St. Timothy's Church, Catonsville; and at night preached and confirmed seven persons, (one belonging to St. Paul's parish) in the place of worship of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.

On Monday evening in Easter week in St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, and on Thursday evening, in the same week in Christ Church, I said Evening Prayers, on occasion of the delivery by Bishop Southgate of a second and a third lecture on the Eastern Churches, their condition and our duty toward them.

On the first Sunday after Easter, March 30th, I preached, confirmed three persons, and administered the LORD's Supper in the parish church of Rock Creek, D. C., in the morning; preached and confirmed twelve persons in St. John's Church, Georgetown, in the afternoon; and preached and confirmed thirteen persons in Christ Church, Georgetown, at night.

On Monday, March the 31st, I preached in Christ Church, Navy Yard, Washington, but there being no candidates for confirmation nor any preparation for Communion, had no other service.

On Tuesday, April the 1st, I preached, baptised an infant, confirmed five persons, and administered the LORD's Supper in St. Barnabas' Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George county. On Wednesday, the 2d, preached, and confirmed three persons in the parish church of the same parish. On Thursday, the 3d, I preached, baptised an infant, confirmed eight persons, and administered the LORD's Supper in Christ Church, Akakeek, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties. On Friday, April 4th, preached, confirmed two persons, and administered the Holy Communion in St. John's Chapel, in the same parish. On Saturday, April 8th, I preached in St. James's Chapel, Durham Parish, then, and unhappily still, destitute of a rector, having been left vacant by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Crampton to Pennsylvania.

nia. The chapel was well filled, and I was happy to find an eager desire for a supply of religious ministrations among the people. The next day, Sunday, the second after Easter, I officiated in the parish church, which has been greatly improved since my last visit, by an almost entire re-construction of the interior, at an expense, I am told, of nearly \$1500. The work is not yet complete, but needs only the presence of a minister in the parish to be thoroughly carried out. I preached, confirmed one person, baptised two infants, and administered the Lord's Supper. The congregation in attendance was large. Monday, April the 7th, in the parish church of Port Tobacco, I preached, confirmed five persons, and administered the Lord's Supper, in the morning; and preached again in the afternoon. Tuesday, April 9th, I preached, confirmed seven persons, and administered the Lord's Supper, in the morning; and preached again in the afternoon, in St. Paul's Church, Port Tobacco Parish. Wednesday, April the 9th, I preached and administered the Lord's Supper in All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county, another vacant parish, of which, however, I have hope that it is not long to continue so. It is certainly a subject of shame and sorrow, that so numerous a people should remain untended and untaught, and so excellent a house of God stand solitary and empty, for more lack of zeal and energy on the part of all concerned. Were the ability of the parish fully brought out, few could better maintain a clergyman; and were a proper maintenance provided, there would be little difficulty in providing a laborer for so interesting a field.

On Thursday, April 10th, in the Chapel of Trinity Parish, Charles county, I baptised an adult, preached, confirmed thirteen persons, and administered the Lord's Supper. In the afternoon, I confirmed an invalid at her own residence, with appropriate services.

On Friday, the 11th, in the parish church of the same parish, I confirmed ten persons, but was hindered from preaching by indisposition and total loss of voice. This put an end to my visita-

tion, and although, after a few days' confinement under the hospitable roof of the Rev. Mr. Goodwin, under the care of him and his family, I was able to return to Baltimore, I have been wholly unfit for duty ever since.

The sum of the services thus reported, and of others not embraced in the foregoing recapitulation, is as follows: I have administered the Lord's Supper within the diocese *thirty-five* times; once without; the Sacrament of Baptism *fourteen* times, to *eleven* adults, and *six* infants; the rite of Confirmation *thirty-three* times, to *two hundred and twenty-six* persons. I have read the Morning and Evening Service *forty-three* times within the diocese, *twenty-four* without; *preached* within the diocese *eighty* times, and *thirteen* without, beside the delivery of *forty-four* other addresses; officiated within the diocese in *forty-seven* places of worship; attended *one* funeral; consecrated *one* church; laid *six* corner stones; and ordained, at *three* stated ordinations, *three* deacons and *three* priests. The number of miles travelled in the discharge of official duties has been 3287.

During the year past, I have received notices from the Bishop of Massachusetts, of the displacement from the ministry of William Cook, late deacon; from the Bishop of South Carolina, of the displacement of Rodolphus Dickenson, late presbyter; from the Bishop of Delaware, of the displacement of John V. E. Thorn, late presbyter; and from the Bishop of Kentucky, of the displacement of William McCallen, presbyter. I have also received, and conformably with the requisition of the Canon, communicated to the clergy of the diocese, notices of the suspension of the Rt. Rev. Henry U. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of Pensylvania, and of the Rt. Rev. Benjamin T. Onderdonk, D. D., Bishop of New York.

I regret, brethren, that weakness compels me to confine myself almost exclusively to these details of official information. On more general topics, interesting and important as some that might be presented are, I must be very brief.

The education of the young is receiving increased attention, and, I trust, with increased beneficial result. Our diocesan and other religious schools are all gaining ground. The College of St. James is receiving the attention which it so well deserves by the perfection of its system of instruction and discipline, and the thoroughness with which that system is carried out. Every department of instruction is now supplied with competent teachers, and the number of pupils, at this time fifty-two, has at once constrained and warranted the Trustees to make an addition to the buildings, which has been just commenced, and will be ready for the opening of the autumnal session. An extract from the annual report presented to me, as Visiter of the institution, on the 18th instant, will be appended to the Journal of the Convention, as a note to this address.

The Patapsco Female Institute, under the excellent management of Mrs. Phelps, continues to be full of pupils. Although hindered from personally visiting it during the past year, I have made frequent and close inquiry at responsible sources concerning its condition and management, and find no reason to change the favorable opinion of both, that I have heretofore expressed to the Convention.

The Prayer Book and Homily Society continues its operations without change, and with the most beneficial effects in every part of the diocese, most of all in those most needing help.

But what shall I say of our diocesan missionary operations? Their history is a tale of shame and sorrow. For three successive years I have invoked and entreated the attention of the Convention to this subject, but hitherto in vain. We are, comparatively, doing nothing for the weak and waste places within our borders: nay, we are marring what we pretend to do. But one missionary is at this time nominally receiving a support from the missionary contributions of the parishes, and to him nine months' salary is now due; while there is a debt still owing to the missionary who ceased his labors in Dorchester county, leav-

ing that station entirely vacant, in the last autumn. Look at New York, and Pennsylvania, and Connecticut and Virginia, and South Carolina, and Massachusetts, and learn how shamefully deficient in proportion to its means and numbers, this diocese is in efforts to plant and water the good seed in spots within its borders where it has not yet taken root. Thirty-three additional clergymen might at this moment be employed in this diocese with as fair prospect of immediate advantage and ultimate success as I have known elsewhere to be considered sufficient ground for establishing missionary stations. The most urgent entreaties are continually addressed to me for missionary aid from places which afford the most desirable opportunity of winning souls and making gain for CHRIST ; but unless I can find men (such as, thank God, we have not a few among our clergy !) who are able and willing to maintain themselves by their own exertions, while they minister the Gospel without charge, I can do nothing for them. I am compelled to repeat and, if possible, with increased emphasis, the language employed in my last annual Address. *“ I submit it to the wisdom of the Convention, again, whether our present mode of operation is the best ; whether it does not admit of being enlarged and increased in efficiency, to a very great extent ; whether duty to our feeble parishes, and to the yet desolate places (and they are MANY) within our borders, does not exact of us that they should be so enlarged and increased in efficiency ; whether it is not in our power by some united and general action to do so, in large degree, without making the duty burdensome to any ; WHETHER WE ARE PREPARED TO ANSWER TO GOD FOR ALLOWING THINGS TO GO ON THUS, FROM YEAR TO YEAR, WHILE SOULS ARE SLIPPING INTO ETERNITY, UNCARED FOR, AND PRECIOUS OPPORTUNITIES OF SAVING THEM ARE WASTED.”*

We are not met together, brethren, to settle technicalities, and discuss church-politics. God has called us here—with reverence be it spoken—to help Him in the work of redeeming a lost

world, of which we, miserable sinners, are a part. That blessed work is not to be carried on by our devisings, nor through our wisdom, nor in our strength. Still less may it be furthered by evil surmisings, jealousies, suspicions, bickerings and recriminations. To believe in the LORD JESUS CHRIST first, in simplicity and godly sincerity, with all our hearts, and then for His sake to believe in one another, and look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others, is the way to be fellow-helpers in the good work that we have before us. Beloved brethren, shall we not, in that Holy Communion of which we are about to be partakers, solemnly renew our vow to do and suffer all for the sake of Him who loved us and gave Himself for us? Shall not his love constrain us to forget all prejudice and prepossessions, and resolve and act, in all that comes before us, with entire unmindfulness of personal views and predilections, in a single aim and endeavor to advance the glory of our gracious God?

Brethren of the laity! beware of thinking that you have an interest to withhold respect, deference and love from those who are over you in the LORD, or that you endanger your rights by submitting to their godly teaching and admonition. Such suggestions come not from above. They are not the teaching of the Bible. They harmonize not with the breathings of the Holy Spirit in the heart of the holy and humble, the penitent and contrite, the meek and quiet and lowly.

Brethren of the clergy! let us still more beware of thinking that we have interests separate and distinct from those of our lay-brethren. What are *our* interests but *theirs*, inasmuch as we are their servants, bearing office for their sakes, administering to them the precious things which are their inheritance. Let our strife and our toil be to humble ourselves, to forget ourselves, to cast ourselves away, to know nothing but CHRIST crucified, and ourselves the servants of our brethren for CHRIST's sake. Let our reward be here on earth their love and gratitude, and their

knowledge of us in our fruits of pureness, and gentleness, and holiness of heart; and far better, our Master's abiding presence, filling our hearts with joy and peace in believing, and all holiness in proclaiming the truth in love.

Brethren of the clergy and laity! are we not all one in Christ? are we not gathered together in one blessed Name? Doth not one gracious Spirit move and guide us? Shall we not then equally labor in the work of the Lord, in all forbearance, long-suffering, and enduring zeal?

May HE so bless us, in our deliberations and our doings, that our hearts and mouths shall be filled with praise, for the manifestation of His Presence among us, shedding abroad His best gifts, of peace and love, when we separate to return to our respective places in this portion of His Vineyard! Amen.

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland.*

*Baltimore May 28th, 1845.*

Petitions were presented from the Church of the Ascension, Washington, D. C.; Grace Church, Hungary Neck; Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing; Trinity Church, Baltimore; and St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Baltimore county, for admission into union with this Convention, which were referred to the Committee on the admission of new Congregations.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 4 o'clock, P. M.

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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, *May 28th, 1845.*

The Convention re-assembled at 4 o'clock.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the morning's proceedings read and approved.



The following clergymen, not present at the calling of the roll this morning, answered to their names this afternoon :

Rev. H. V. D. Johns, D. D.	Rev. J. N. McJilton,
“ Jos. Trapnell, Jr.,	“ Robert Piggott.

The following lay delegates presented their testimonials, and signed the declaration :

Hon. E. F. Chambers,	James Gibson,
Dr. Frederick Dorsey,	Thomas Graham,
Wm. Carmichael,	John Glenn.
J. Mason Campbell,	

A petition presented from St. John's Church, Montgomery county, for admission into union with the Convention, was received, and referred to the Committee on the admission of new Congregations.

On motion, *Resolved*, That clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church who may be present on this occasion, and are not members of the Convention, be invited to take seats as honorary members.

The committee appointed at the last Convention on the subject of canonical regulation of the division of Parishes and admission of separate Congregations, reported, as follows :

The committee appointed at the last Convention to reduce into system and amend, as far as may be necessary, the canons regulating division of Parishes, and admission of separate Congregations and Churches into union with this Convention, respectfully report :—

That having given to the subject committed to them a careful consideration, they beg leave, as the result of their labors, to recommend for adoption by this Convention the accompanying “ canon concerning the formation of new Parishes and Congregations,” together with the form of a plan for organising a separate congregation as authorised by the Act of the General Assembly of Maryland, entitled “ An Act to incorporate certain persons in every Christian Church or congregation in this State,” and the supplements thereto.

Which is respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL I. DONALDSON,

*Chairman.*

*Canon concerning the formation of new Parishes and Congregations.*

Whenever any number of persons shall be desirous of forming a new Parish within this Diocese, it shall be their duty to address a petition in writing, signed by them, to the Convention; which shall set forth precisely what they desire, and also the reasons which, in their judgment, render it proper that such new Parish shall be formed. The said petition shall be delivered to the Bishop, or during a vacancy in the Episcopate, to the President of the Standing Committee, at least thirty days before the annual meeting of the Convention. If the same is delivered to the President of the Standing Committee, it shall be his duty to lay it before the Standing Committee before or at the annual Convention. It shall be the duty of the Bishop, if such petition is delivered to him, or of the Standing Committee, in case it is laid before them, to lay the same before the Convention,—but the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, during a vacancy of the Episcopate, may, if he or they think proper so to do, accompany such petition with objections to granting the same, or with other remarks in writing, which objections or other remarks shall, with the said petition and all other documents, accompanying the same, or forwarded to the Convention by the petitioners, be referred to a proper committee; and if the Convention, after considering their report and the other documents, shall be of opinion that the necessary legal steps have been taken, required by the act of Assembly of 1793, ch. 24, entitled “An act for the establishment of vestries for each Parish in this State,” commonly called the vestry act, and that the formation of such Parish is expedient for the Church, and that the desire for the same has not grown out of any dissensions, or originated from any other improper motives, they may, in their discretion, allow the formation of the same under the provisions of the said act. No petition for the formation of a new Parish shall be acted upon by the Convention, unless brought before the same by the Bishop or the Standing Committee, agreeably to the provisions of this canon.

Whenever any number of persons shall be desirous of forming a separate congregation (not a parish) within this Diocese, in connexion with this Church, it shall be their duty to obtain leave to form the same, either from the Convention, or from the Bishop by and with the advice and consent of a majority of the Standing Committee,—but such permission shall not of itself entitle such separate congregation to be represented in Convention. For the purpose of obtaining such permission, such persons may address a petition either to the Convention or to the bishop, if there be one, (but if there be no Bishop, the petition shall be addressed to the Convention.) The said petition shall be in writing, signed by the petitioners, and shall set forth precisely what the peti-

tioners desire, and also the reasons which, in their judgment, render it proper that such separate congregations shall be formed. If the said petition shall be addressed to the Convention, it shall be delivered to the Bishop, or during a vacancy in the Episcopate, to the President of the Standing Committee, at least thirty days before the meeting of the annual Convention. If the same is delivered to the President of the Standing Committee, it shall be his duty to lay it before the Standing Committee before or at the annual Convention. It shall be the duty of the Bishop, if such petition is delivered to him, or of the Standing Committee, if it is laid before them, to lay the same before the Convention; but the Bishop, or the Standing Committee, during a vacancy of the Episcopate, may, if he or they think proper so to do, accompany such petition with objections to granting the same, or with other remarks in writing, which objections or other remarks shall, with the said petition and all other documents accompanying the same or forwarded to the Convention by the petitioners, be referred to a proper committee—and if the Convention, after considering their report and the other documents, shall be of opinion, that the formation of such congregation is expedient for the Church, and that the desire for the same has not originated from any improper motives, the Convention may, in their discretion, proceed to give leave to form the said separate congregation; which shall, however, not be thereby acknowledged as in union with the Convention, or entitled to a representation therein, until the farther action of the Convention hereinafter provided for, shall have taken place. No petition for leave to form a separate congregation shall be acted on by the Convention, unless brought before the same by the Bishop or Standing Committee.

If the petition be addressed to the Bishop, he may, in his discretion, refer it to the Convention at their next annual session, and may, if he think it proper so to do, accompany such petition with objection to granting the same, or with other remarks in writing, and the same proceedings in all respects shall be had, as if the said petition had been addressed to the Convention. But if the Bishop shall think that the formation of the congregation is expedient for the Church, and shall be satisfied that the desire for the same has not originated from any improper motives, he may lay the same before the Standing Committee, and may, by and with the advice and consent of a majority of the members of the Standing Committee, give leave to form the said separate congregation,—which shall, however, not be thereby acknowledged as in union with the Convention, or entitled to a representation therein, until the action of the Convention hereinafter provided for, shall have been had. But if a majority of the Standing Committee shall not advise and consent to the giving such leave, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to communicate that fact to the Con-

vention, and lay before them the petition, and the Convention may thereupon take action upon the petition or not as they may deem proper. If a majority of the members of the Standing Committee shall advise and consent to the giving such leave, and the Bishop shall have seen reason to change his mind, and not to give the desired leave, it shall be his duty to communicate those facts and his reasons in writing to the Convention, together with the said petition, and the Convention may take action upon the same or not as they may think proper.

Every separate congregation, for the formation of which leave may have been obtained in any of the modes hereinbefore stated, may apply to the Convention to be received into union therewith, and represented therein,—and the Convention may, in its discretion, grant such application, provided the Convention shall be satisfied of the following facts—that is to say :

1. That such congregation have adopted a plan of government consonant to the laws, usages, and practices of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland.

2. That such plan contains clauses distinctly recognising the spiritual authority of the Bishop of the Diocese, and binding the congregation and its ministers to adhere to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

3. That such plan has been duly executed, acknowledged, and recorded in compliance with the provisions of the act of Assembly of 1802, ch. 111, entitled, “ An act to incorporate certain persons in every Christian Church or congregation in this State,” &c. so that the said congregation shall be legally incorporated under the provisions of the said act,—Provided the said congregation is situated in that part of the Diocese within which the said act of Assembly is in force.

4. That the said congregation have a church edifice sufficient for the accommodation of a reasonable number of persons, and either finished, or so nearly finished, as, in the judgment of the Convention, to afford a reasonable prospect that it will be finished, and that the said congregation are not indebted to such an extent as to endanger their stability.

If the congregation is situated in that part of the Diocese in which the said act of the General Assembly of Maryland of 1802, ch. 111, is not in force, all the above conditions shall nevertheless be required, except the third, which in that case shall be dispensed with, and the Convention, in lieu thereof, shall be satisfied that the plan of government is written in a well bound book, and that a copy of it is furnished to the Secretary of the Convention, to be preserved among the archives of the Convention, and that the Church, if any, is legally

conveyed to trustees, and secured agreeably to the provisions of an act of the Congress of the United States, entitled "An act concerning conveyances or devises of places of public worship in the District of Columbia, passed at the first session of the Twenty-eighth Congress," 1843, ch. 101, upon such trusts as will bind the congregations and their ministers, to acknowledge the spiritual authority of the Bishop of the Diocese, and to adhere to the doctrine, discipline, and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

The Convention recommend the adoption of the annexed form of a plan of government, marked Schedule A, but its adoption shall not be considered as indispensable to the admission of a congregation into union with the Convention.

The thirteenth of the canons of 1835 is hereby repealed. This canon shall be in force from and after the first day of July, in the year 1845.

#### (SCHEDULE A.)

*Know all men by these presents, That on this first day of February, in the year of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, eighteen hundred and \_\_\_\_\_, the male persons above twenty-one years of age, belonging to \_\_\_\_\_, a congregation belonging to the Church called "The Protestant Episcopal Church," which is a Church now known and acknowledged in this State, and protected in the free and full exercise of its religion by the constitution and laws of the same, did, in pursuance of the power and authority in them vested by an act of the General Assembly of the State of Maryland, entitled, "An act to incorporate certain persons in every Christian Church or Congregation in this State," and the supplements thereto, meet at \_\_\_\_\_, to elect at their discretion certain sober and discreet persons, to be constituted by that act a body politic or corporate, upon being registered as therein directed, to act as Trustees and Vestrymen in the name and behalf of the said particular Church called \_\_\_\_\_, and to manage the estate, property, interest, and inheritance of the same, in the most upright and careful manner,—and by the name of the Vestry of \_\_\_\_\_, to have perpetual succession, and all other corporate powers given by the said act, and did determine to elect eight persons to be such Trustees and Vestrymen, and with the Rector or Minister of the said Church for the time being, to constitute the Vestry or Corporation thereof—the said persons to serve until Easter Monday in the present year, and did accordingly elect—[Insert names of Vestrymen.]—At which election, being the first election of the said body politic or corporate, the said Church or Congregation so assembled, did determine and fix on the following plan, or agreement, or regulation, to be the Constitution of the Con-*

gregation called “—————,” and of the said Corporation or Vestry.

*First.* This Church shall be called ———.

*Second.* The said Church or Congregation, its Rector and Vestry, shall at all times adhere to and observe the Doctrine, Worship, and Discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, as set forth in its Creeds, Articles, Liturgy, Constitution, and Canons.

*Third.* The said Church or Congregation shall at all times be subject to the spiritual jurisdiction and authority of the Bishop of the said Church in the Diocese of Maryland, and in case of any division of that Diocese, or alteration in its name or limits, to the Bishop of the Diocese within the limits of which their house of worship may be.

*Fourth.* The said Church or Congregation shall apply for admission into the Diocesan Convention of the Diocese of Maryland, and when so admitted, shall be subject to the Constitutions and Canons thereof.

*Fifth.* No person shall ever be elected or continued as Rector or Minister of the said Church or Congregation, or suffered to officiate therein, as a minister, who is not an Episcopally ordained Minister, in communion with and acknowledged by the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America; but under proper circumstances, a canonically licensed lay reader may be permitted to read the service and a sermon in a canonical manner.

*Sixth.* The Corporation or Vestry of this Church shall consist of the Minister for the time being, who shall be called the Rector, and of eight Laymen qualified to vote at elections in the said Church, to be chosen as is hereinafter provided for, who shall be called Vestrymen, and the name of the Corporation shall be “The Vestry of—[Insert name of Church.]”

*Seventh.* The first Vestrymen shall be immediately elected, and shall be—[Insert names]—who are hereby declared to be duly elected, and shall serve until Easter Monday in the year ———, at which time there shall be an election for eight persons to supply their place, and to continue in office until removed, as is hereinafter provided for, and on Easter Monday, which shall be in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ———, and on every Easter Monday thereafter, all the male persons of the age of twenty-one years, who shall, being members of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, have contributed to the support of [Insert the name of the Church] a sum not less than two dollars after the last election, shall assemble at the Church or other building used for the purpose of worship by the said Congregation, or at such other place as the Vestry may, by a public notice, have appointed; and they, or such of them as may assemble, shall, by a majority of votes, put out four of

the eight Vestrymen, whom they please, and shall immediately thereafter elect by ballot four Vestrymen from among the persons qualified to vote, including those whom they have voted out, all or any of whom they may re-elect, and such persons so chosen, with the remaining Vestrymen and the Rector, shall be the Vestry for the ensuing year.

*Eighth.* The Rector for the time being shall always be President of the Vestry.

*Ninth.* The Vestry shall have power to appoint the Rector: to fill up vacancies in their own body: to appoint Church Wardens and other officers of the Church: and to perform all offices and duties which belong to a Vestry or to Vestrymen, by virtue of the Constitution, Canons, or usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, or in the State of Maryland, or by the laws of the State of Maryland applicable to Vestries in the said Protestant Episcopal Church: but they shall not be required to take any oath of office; but shall, in a book to be kept for that purpose, subscribe their assent to this Constitution, and a declaration that they adhere to the Doctrines, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

*Tenth.* In all respects not provided for by this plan, the said Church or Congregation called \_\_\_\_\_, shall be regulated by the Constitution, Canons, and usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and in the State of Maryland, and by the laws of the State of Maryland applicable to the said Church, as they may exist at the time of the occurrence of any case not herein sufficiently provided for.

*Eleventh.* If any question shall arise concerning the true meaning or interpretation of this plan, or any part thereof, it shall receive such a construction as is most conformable to the laws of the land, and the Constitution, Canons, and usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and State of Maryland as they now exist.

In testimony of all which, we have hereunto affixed our hands and seals the day and year first above written.

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

( Seal. )

*State of Maryland, \_\_\_\_\_ County, Set.*

Be it remembered, that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred \_\_\_\_\_, before us, the subscribers, two of the Justices of the Peace of the State of Maryland for \_\_\_\_\_ County, [or for the City of Baltimore,] personally appeared—[Insert names]—being a majority of the Trustees of Vestrymen named in the foregoing instrument, as Vestrymen of \_\_\_\_\_, by whom we were well assured, that the proceedings in the said paper mentioned, were legally and duly conducted, and afterwards they did acknowledge the said instrument of writing to be the plan, agreement, or regulation for the government of [Insert name of Corporation.]

On motion, the report was made the order of the day at 11 o'clock to-morrow.

A petition was presented from Christ Church, Hagerstown, for admission into union with the Convention, and on motion, it was referred to the Committee on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations.

A petition from members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in St. John's Parish, Worcester county, to be annexed to Coventry Parish; and a memorial to lay off the lines between Somerset and Coventry Parishes, were referred to the Committee on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations.

The Committee on the rights of Clergymen to seats in the Convention, reported in favor of the following clergymen :

<b>Rt. Rev. William R. Whittingham,</b>	<b>Rev. Samuel Buel,</b>
<b>Rev. James Abercrombie,</b>	“ Samuel G. Callahan,
“ Walter D. Addison,	“ John H. Chew,
“ Henry Aisquith,	“ John Claxton,
“ Thomas Atkinson,	“ John Croedale,
“ Charles C. Austin,	“ Thomas B. Flower,
“ Enoch Bayley,	“ Matthias L. Forbes,
“ Henry H. Bean,	“ John W. French,
“ William F. Brand,	“ Adolph Frost,
“ Henry Brown,	“ Stephen G. Gassaway,
“ James A. Buck,	“ Levin I. Gilliss,
“ David H. Buel,	“ Robert L. Goldsborough,



Rev. Robert W. Goldsborough,

- " Samuel R. Gordon,
- " Matthias Harris,
- " William A. Harris,
- " Hugh T. Harrison,
- " Nathaniel A. Hewitt,
- " John F. Hoff,
- " Alfred Holmead,
- " Hector Humphreys, D. D.
- " Orlando Hutton,
- " Henry V. D. Johns, D. D.
- " Leonard H. Johns,
- " William P. C. Johnson,
- " Clement F. Jones, D. D.
- " John R. Keech,
- " John H. Kehler,
- " Henry S. Keppler,
- " John B. Kerfoot,
- " Samuel C. Kerr,
- " George A. Leakin,
- " Meyer Lewin,
- " Dwight E. Lyman,
- " Theodore B. Lyman,
- " George L. Mackenheimer,
- " Alexander M. Marbury,
- " John Martin,
- " Henry M. Mason, D. D.
- " John N. McJilton,
- " James A. McKenney,
- " Alfred A. Miller,
- " Joshua Morrell,
- " John Owen,

Rev. Francis Peck,

- " Joshua Peterkin,
- " Richard H. Phillips,
- " Robert Piggott,
- " William Pinkney,
- " Robert Prout,
- " Smith Pyne,
- " William H. Rees,
- " Reuben Riley,
- " John P. Robins,
- " Alexander Shiraz,
- " Joseph Spencer, D. D.
- " Harvey Stanley,
- " Edward J. Stearns,
- " Horace Stringfellow,
- " Joshua Sweet,
- " Fitch W. Taylor,
- " John M. Todd,
- " Joseph Trapnell, Sr.
- " Joseph Trapnell, Jr.
- " Russell Trevett,
- " Edwin M. Van Deusen,
- " Richard H. Waters,
- " William Walsh,
- " Edward Waylen,
- " James C. Wheat,
- " John Wiley,
- " Henry Williams,
- " Lemuel Wilmer,
- " Thomas J. Wyatt,
- " William E. Wyatt, D. D.—87.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention proceed to the election of the Standing Committee to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The following resolution was offered :

*Resolved*, That the bishop of the diocese be requested to admit to the Holy Order of Deacons, persons coming within the provisions of the 6th canon of the General Convention of 1844.

A motion was made to lay the resolution on the table, and decided in the negative.

On motion, the farther consideration of the resolution was postponed to 5½ o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**THURSDAY MORNING, *May 29*, 1845.**

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock.

The minutes of yesterday afternoon's proceedings were read, corrected, and approved.

The following clergymen not present yesterday at the calling of the roll, answered to their names this morning:

Rev. Henry H. Bean,	Rev. John Owen,
“ Wm. A. Harris,	“ Smith Pyne,
“ Geo. L. Mackenheimer,	“ Wm. Walsh,
“ Alexander M. Marbury,	“ Charles E. Pleasants,
“ Henry M. Mason, D. D.	“ Joshua Sweet.
“ John Martin,	

The following lay delegates presented their testimonials, signed the declaration, and took their seats:

George Riall,	Thomas Schnebly,
W. K. Travers,	Geo. W. Richardson,
Thomas V. Ward,	Benjamin W. Harris,
S. N. C. White,	Wm. Gould,
Wm. Matthews,	Stevens Gambrill,
Benjamin Mullikin,	W. K. Barker,
E. T. Massey,	R. F. Hemsley,
J. G. Chapman,	Thomas Duckett,
Wm. B. Scott,	James A. Bond.

The following report was received, and the accompanying resolution and acts were adopted :

The Committee on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations, recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution and acts :

*Resolved*, That " Grace Church, Hungary Neck," Somerset county ; " St. John's Church, Huntingdon," Baltimore county ; " Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing," Anne Arundel county ; " Trinity Church," city of Baltimore ; and " St. John's Church," Montgomery county, be received into union with this Convention.

J. A. McKENNEY, *Chairman*.

*An act to annex part of St. John's Parish, Worcester, to Coventry Parish, Somerset county.*

*Be it enacted*, That the territory now a part of St. John's Parish, Worcester county, and comprised within the following description, that is to say, beginning at Cottingham's Ferry, on the East side of Pocomoke river, and running thence by the road leading from said Ferry, to the Cross Roads near Castor's Mill, thence by the road leading from Castor's Mill to Newtown, including the village of Newtown and one mile around it, thence from Newtown by the Cedar Hill road to the line of Virginia, (said territory being a narrow strip of land on the East side of Pocomoke river, scarcely one mile wide,) be and the same is hereby annexed to Coventry Parish, Somerset county, and be hereafter considered and taken as part of Coventry Parish aforesaid, and that said parish shall be known as " Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties."

*An act to erect a new Parish in the city of Washington, D. C. out of St. John's Parish.*

*Be it enacted*, That a new parish be established in the city of Washington, D. C., within the following metes and bounds, viz : beginning at the intersection of 12th street West and G street North, and running East with the middle of said G street until its intersection with 7th street West, thence north with the middle of said 7th street to the northern boundary of the city, thence West with said Northern boundary until its intersection with 12th street West, and thence South with the middle of said 12th street to the place of beginning.

Which parish so established shall be known as " The Parish of the Ascension in the city of Washington," and be entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to separate parishes by the vestry law of the State of Maryland, and by the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this diocese.

The resolution and acts were severally read, and passed.

The Committee on the election of lay delegates reported, that they had examined the certificates presented to them, and found them all to be correct—and that the following gentlemen are entitled to seats in this Convention :

Thomas Shriver.	W. B. Scott,
George Cooke,	B. K. Sharretts,
J. Watkins Ligon,	Philip T. Berry,
John L. Gardner,	Charles E. Mix,
Thomas J. Dorsett,	Washington Berry,
Samuel Cheston,	Benjamin Mullikin,
James Carroll,	Stevens Gambrill,
Enoch M. Lowry,	Robert E. Dorsey.
Thomas H. Freeland,	Samuel I. Donaldson,
J. J. Stewart,	Thomas S. Alexander,
William Krebs,	George A. Hughes,
George W. Richardson,	Thomas W. Anderson,
James Mason Campbell,	William K. Travers,
Benjamin Orrick,	Thomas W. Johnson,
John Glenn,	Henry A. Johnson,
James Gibson,	J. H. T. McPherson,
John Gibson,	Thomas J. Clagett,
Richard H. Owen,	William M. Maynadier,
William H. Warfield.	John C. Hynson,
Robert S. Wilson,	E. F. Chambers,
Thomas Grahame,	Allen B. Davis,
James A. Bond,	Stephen N. C. White,
Isaac Van Bibber,	E. John Hall,
Henry E. Ballard,	Grafton Tyler,
Henry Chamberlaine,	Thomas Berry,
Richard C. Holliday,	William R. Burke,
Thomas V. Ward,	Thomas Duckett,
Benjamin W. Harris,	William Holmes,
William Matthews,	Thomas J. Marshall,
John G. Chapman,	Jacob Winchester,
David Jenifer, Jr.	William Carmichael,
Richard S. Coxe,	William Gould, Sr.
William Maynadier,	William H. Hebb,

Thomas Maddox,  
George Riall,  
Benjamin Parsons,  
William W. Johnston,  
Thomas W. Stone,

William Williams,  
Richard F. Helmsley,  
Thomas Schnebly,  
Frederick Dorsey,

The order of the day was called for, being the election of the Standing Committee; and the following gentlemen were nominated :

For the Western Shore, the  
Rev. Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D.,  
“ Levin I. Gilliss,  
“ Thomas Atkinson,  
“ Wm. Pinkney,

Rev. Horace Stringfellow,  
“ Hector Humphreys, D. D.,  
“ Jos. Trapnell, Jr.

For the Eastern Shore, the  
Rev. Jos. Spencer, D. D.,  
“ Jas. A. McKenney,

Rev. Clement F. Jones, D. D.,  
“ Henry Brown.

The Rev. Jas. A. Buck, and Dr. Johnson were appointed tellers on the part of the clergy; and the

Rev. Mr. Gassaway, and Dr. Williams on the part of the laity.

The roll was then called, when 62 of the clergy, and 64 of the laity deposited their ballots.

A paper was presented containing extracts from the minutes of the proceedings of the vestry of Christ Church, Hagerstown, which was referred to the Committee on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations.

On motion, the order of the day was postponed for 15 minutes.

A memorial from the congregation of the Church of the Olive Branch, Anne Arundel county, for admission into union with the Convention; and a counter memorial from All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county, were then presented, and referred to the Committee on the admission of new Parishes and Congregations.

The report of the Treasurer of the Committee of Missions, with accompanying vouchers, was presented by the chair, and on motion, was referred, for audit, to the following committee :

Rev. John Wiley, Gen J. G. Chapman, J. W. Ligon, Esq.

The house then proceeded to consider the order of the day, being the "Canon concerning the formation of new Parishes and new Congregations." After some discussion, the subject was postponed to receive the report of the tellers appointed to receive and count the ballots for Standing Committee.

The tellers then reported that the whole number of votes cast was, of the Clergy, - - - - - 62  
 Laity, - - - - - 64  
 Total, - - - - - 126

Necessary to a choice 64.

And that for the Western Shore, the

Rev. Dr. Wyatt received	-	121
" Thomas Atkinson	-	105
" Levin I. Gilliss	-	101
" Wm. Pinkney	-	81

For the Eastern Shore, the

Rev. Dr. Spencer received	-	116
" Clement F. Jones	-	110
" Jas. A. McKenney	-	91

On motion, the report was accepted.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, *May 29*, 1845.

The Convention re-assembled at 4 o'clock.

The roll was called, and the minutes of the morning's proceedings were read and approved.

The following clergymen, not present at the calling of the roll at the previous sessions, answered to their names:

Rev. James Abercrombie,	Rev. Henry S. Keppler,
" Henry Brown,	" Alexander Shiraz,
" Wm. P. C. Johnson,	" Ed. J. Stearns.
" Clement F. Jones, D. D.,	

The following lay delegates presented their testimonials, signed the declaration, and took their seats.

Daniel Jenifer, Jr.

John H. T. McPherson,

Thomas Maddox,

Henry A. Johnson.

By permission of the Convention,

A memorial was presented from the vestry of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, on the subject of a controversy between Prince George Parish and St. Bartholomew's Parish, respecting the parsonage property. Laid on the table.

The order of the day was then called for, being the consideration of the "Canon concerning the formation of new Parishes and new Congregations."

The reading of the canon was called for, which was read accordingly; and the discussion resumed.

After some time spent therein,

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock this evening.

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THURSDAY EVENING, *May 29th*, 1845.

The Convention re-assembled at 8 o'clock.

On motion, the call of the roll, and reading of the minutes of the afternoon's proceedings, were dispensed with.

The consideration of the order of the day was resumed. After discussion,

On motion, the subject was re-committed to a committee of three persons, to report to the Convention to-morrow.

The chair appointed the Rev. Thomas Atkinson, S. I. Donaldson, and J. Mason Campbell, Esqs., said committee.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING, *May 30th*, 1845.

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock.

The Litany was read by the Rev. D. H. Buel.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday afternoon's proceedings read and approved.

The Rev. John R. Keech, having been absent from the previous sessions of the Convention, answered to his name this morning.

On motion, the memorial from the vestry of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county, was called up, when the following resolution was offered and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the memorial of the vestry of St. Bartholomew's Parish be referred to a committee of five, to be appointed by the chair, with instructions to examine into the subject of the said memorial, and, if possible, accommodate the differences which exist between the said vestry, and the vestry of Prince George Parish; and if their mediation should be fruitless, then that they report the circumstances to the next Convention, with such suggestions as may appear best calculated to adjust said differences, and that it be the duty of said committee to recommend some mode by which differences of this character which may hereafter arise between associated, or adjacent congregations, may be accommodated and settled by the authority of the Church.

The chair appointed the following gentlemen said committee :

Hon. James Carroll, Hon. Alexander C. Magruder, Richard S. Coxe, S. I. Donaldson, and Wm. Krebs, Esqrs.

On motion, *Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Diocesan Missions, be referred to a committee, to be appointed by the chair.

The chair appointed the Rev. H. V. D. Johns, D. D., Rev. John Crosdale and Thomas Duckett, Esq.

The chairman of the committee of the Board of Trustees for the Fund for the relief of disabled and superannuated clergymen, made the following report :



The Board of Trustees of the fund for the relief of disabled and superannuated clergymen, respectfully beg leave to report to the Convention, That after previous notice, they met together and organised early in March; and at that time authorised the Rev. Thomas Atkinson, one of their number, to write a circular letter to the clergy of the Diocese, requesting them to take up a collection for the benefit of the class of persons, which the fund was instituted to relieve, on Easter Sunday, or any other day more convenient to themselves. In answer to this application, they have received contributions from the following churches and clergymen, in the amounts following their names respectively, viz:

St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,	- - - - -	\$123 48
St. Peter's Church, "	- - - - -	50 00
Rev. Mr. Van Deusen, Annapolis,	- - - - -	25 76
" Mr. Gassaway, Georgetown,	- - - - -	37 50
" Mr. Shiraz, "	- - - - -	20 00
" Mr. McKenney, Cambridge,	- - - - -	25 00
" Mr. Waters,	- - - - -	5 75
" Mr Stanley,	- - - - -	8 00
" Mr. D. H. Buel,	- - - - -	7 40
" Mr. Chew, All Saints' Parish, Calvert county,	-	2 50
" " King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county,	-	3 72
		<hr/> 6 22
Rev. H. Brown,	- - - - -	12 53
" Mr. Keech, Harford county,	- - - - -	4 05
" " St. Johns, Baltimore county,	- - - - -	3 12
		<hr/> 7 17
Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, by the Rev. Mr. Owen,	- -	7 52
Rev. Mr. Brand, All Hallows', Anne Arundel county,	-	6 00
Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne county, Rev. Mr. Walsh,	-	1 00
Rev. G. L. Mackenheimer,	- - - - -	9 00
Rev. Mr. Keppler,	- - - - -	3 85
" Hoff, St. Mark's, Frederick County,	- - - - -	7 37
" Wm. P. C. Johnson,	- - - - -	15 00
" H. Aisquith,	- - - - -	5 00
" T. B. Lyman,	- - - - -	15 00
" Hugh T. Harrison,	- - - - -	9 52
Rev. Dr. Spencer,	- - - - -	18 00
St. John's Parish, Prince George county,	- - - - -	1 50

The whole amount received thus far has been \$432 54½ cents, to which it is believed additions will be made by gentlemen who have brought contributions

to the Convention, not having had an opportunity of previously remitting them. At the first meeting of the board, the Rev. Mr. Atkinson was appointed Treasurer *pro tem.*, but at a meeting subsequently held, John Glenn Esq., of this city, was appointed permanent Treasurer to the board, and to him it is requested that all sums in aid of its funds shall henceforth be sent. There being no immediate application to the Board, for relief or assistance, it has decided to invest the money which has already come into its hands, in stock of the city of Baltimore. The board furthermore proposes to draw up a code of rules for its government, to be submitted to the next Convention, and to apply at the next session of the Legislature of Maryland for an act of incorporation. In conclusion, the Board beg leave to express the hope that those parishes which have made no contribution in its aid, during the past conventional year, will redeem their neglect, by taking up two collections during the present year, for the excellent object they have in hand.\*

All which is respectfully submitted.

May 31st, 1845.

THOMAS ATKINSON.

On motion, the resolution offered on Wednesday afternoon on the subject of the Sixth canon of the last General Convention was taken up.

The hour of 12 o'clock approaching, on motion it was *Resolved*, that the Bishop be respectfully requested to dispense with the religious services at that hour.

The Bishop accordingly signified his consent to defer the services, and the discussion of the order of the day was resumed.

The following resolutions were offered :

*Resolved*, That the farther consideration of the canon for the ordination of deacons be postponed until the next annual Convention.

*Resolved*, That a committee of five be appointed to inquire during this or the next annual Convention, into the expediency of instructing the delegates to the next General Convention, to move in that body a modification of the existing canons relating

\*To the amounts heretofore acknowledged must be added the following sums received since the report was given in, viz: of the Rev. L. Wilmer \$8 14; of the Rev. Mr. Bean \$10; of the Rev. R. W. Goldsborough \$5; of the Rev. Mr. Todd \$5; of the Rev. Mr. Buck \$3.

to the qualifications of deacons, in order that they may be admitted to the exercise of the duties of the diaconate, with lower literary qualifications, and after a shorter probation than at present, provided that they shall continue to the age of twenty-four in their office, and not be eligible to the rectorship of a parish, and that all the requisitions for admission to the order of priests shall still be insisted upon.

A division of the question being called for, the resolution proposing the postponement of the further consideration of the subject to the next annual Convention was put to vote, and carried in the affirmative.

The question was taken on the second resolution, which was also adopted; and the chair appointed the following gentlemen said committee:

Revs. Dr. Wyatt, Dr. Mason, Thomas Atkinson, H. T. Harrison, and Hon. E. F. Chambers.

The committee to whom was re-committed the canon for the admission of new parishes and congregations, reported the following canon, which was read, and, on motion, was ordered to be printed, and made the order of the day for this afternoon.

#### CANON.

No part of a parish shall separate itself from the residue thereof, as a distinct parish, nor shall any number of the members of the Protestant Episcopal Church in any parish, associate themselves, as a separate congregation therein, without first obtaining leave of the Convention; who shall judge of the necessity and expediency of such separation. But no parish or congregation, constituted with their consent, shall be considered as a part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this State, without a strict conformity, on the part of such parish or congregation, to the use of the liturgy of the said Church; and without a compliance, in the case of a parish, with the provisions of the vestry act,—and in the case of a congregation, with the provisions of the act of 1802, to incorporate certain persons in every Christian Church or congregation in this State, and the supplements thereto.

And in the case of a separation made without the consent of the Convention, the persons so violating this canon shall be liable to be proceeded against, for the breach thereof.

The thirteenth canon of 1835 is hereby repealed.

The committee appointed to take into consideration so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the subject of Missions, made the following report, which was adopted :

The committee to whom has been submitted that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to Diocesan Missions, beg leave to report, that they have considered the same, and recommend that it be submitted to the Board of Missions of this diocese, as the basis of an appeal to be made by them to the several parishes and congregations of the Church.

H. V. D. JOHNS,  
JOHN CROSDALE,  
THOMAS DUCKETT.

The Committee on the Admission of new Parishes and Congregations reported, recommending the adoption of the following acts :

*An Act to fix the Line between Somerset and Coventry Parishes.*

*Be it enacted,* That the following be the lines between Somerset and Coventry Parishes, as consented to by said parishes, viz : beginning with the mouth of Back Creek, and following the source of the same to the bridge, thence with the line which divides Dublin and Princess Anne election district on to the line of Worcester and Somerset counties.

*An Act to establish Severn Parish in Anne Arundel county.*

*Be it enacted,* That the territory comprised within the following description, that is to say,—beginning at the Governor's Bridge and following the course of the Patuxent river to Mullikin's Bridge, from thence running with the road to Baltimore to Pumphrey's Mill, then following the course of Severn Run to Severn River, and running with the south shore of said river to Leonard Iglehart's Landing, from thence in a straight line to Broad Creek, and following the shore of South River to Fulling Mill Bridge, and from thence with the public road to the beginning, be, and the same is hereby made a separate parish, to be known as "Severn Parish," Anne Arundel county, and entitled to all the rights and privileges secured to other parishes by the Vestry law of the State of Maryland, and by the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland.

The question was taken separately on each of the above acts, and decided in the affirmative.

The following reports were read and accepted :

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, report, that they have performed the duty assigned them, and have found them to be correct.

JOHN WILEY, *Chairman.*

The committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's accounts, beg leave to report, that they have examined the same, and find them to be correct.

HUGH T. HARRISON,  
HENRY CHAMBERLAIN,  
A. B. DAVIS.

The Committee on the admission of New Parishes and Congregations, made the following report, in reference to the petition from Christ Church, Hagerstown :

The congregation of Christ Church, Hagerstown, has renewed the application made to the last Convention, to be admitted into union with the Diocese. This application was rejected at the last Convention after full debate and consideration; and being now presented on the basis of the same facts, the committee can see no reason for a change of opinion in reference to it. The committee would remark, that it is contrary to what would seem to be just and equitable to authorise the formation of separate congregations within the limits of any parish, whose ability is not more than adequate to the support of one minister; and that the encouragement of such new associations, under such circumstances, would tend rather to prostrate than promote the interests of the Church in any parish where it may be attempted. The committee are induced to believe that this reason is applicable to the case now for a second time presented to the Convention.

The committee would further add, that so far as they are informed, the ground of the separation of Christ Church from the parish of St. John's is an insufficient one to warrant the formation of a new congregation; and moreover, if the information of the committee be correct, that the withdrawal of the members of the proposed congregation from the communion of their parish church, and their continuance in that state of withdrawal since the action of the last Convention, render it improper for the Convention to grant their petition. The

committee therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

J. A. McKENNEY,  
SAMUEL BUEL,  
SAMUEL I. DONALDSON,  
JOHN L. GARDNER.

The minority of the committee asked permission to present a counter report; which request was granted, and the report read as follows:

The undersigned, a minority of the committee to whom was referred the documents laid before the Convention in relation to the newly organised congregation of Christ Church, in Washington county, after mature consideration is constrained to differ with the majority of the committee, and begs leave to assign the following reasons for the opinions he entertains:

In the first place, it has been thought proper on such an occasion to confine the views that are to be presented on the subject, to the case as exhibited to the Convention and to the committee. No evidence has been laid before the committee, and no representations furnished, calculated to awaken any doubt as to the truth of the facts alleged by the petitioners, or to vary in any way the case presented by them. In these papers I can perceive no evidence of the existence of the fact upon which the majority of the committee recommends the rejection of the application.

The petitioners have, in the most solemn manner, assured the Convention that they are competent to build a house of worship, and to maintain a minister themselves; and as they do not ask to withdraw from the congregation from whom they contemplate separating, or rather have in fact separated, any portion of their property or funds, I have no reason to presume that this portion of the old parish is not left with sufficiently ample means to secure the services of a rector to officiate for them. In truth, as the separation has actually taken place, as the two congregations have, in fact, subsisted in this state of division for more than a twelvemonth, and no complaint has been presented to the Convention asserting any such difficulty, and as even if it were ascertained to exist, the exclusion of the petitioners from the connexion they seek with the Convention, would, in my judgment, have no tendency to remedy the inconvenience—the undersigned is unable to perceive either that the fact as stated does exist, or if it does, that it presents any sufficient reason to exclude the applicants from the benefits which they have again respectfully presented.

It is unnecessary to advert to other points heretofore presented in this case, as the Journal of the last Convention fully discloses the views then taken of the subject by the minority of the committee, to whose report reference is made. On that occasion, exception was taken to particular expressions contained in the act of organization of the new church, which were thought to convey, by implication, a censure upon the rector of St. John's Parish. This interpretation was then authoritatively but unofficially disavowed, on the floor of the Convention. At a meeting of the vestry recently held, this phraseology is ordered to be erased from the first mentioned document, and consequently it is hoped that every objection arising from this cause is now satisfactorily removed.

It appears that all the requisitions of the canons and of the acts of Assembly have been substantially and in terms complied with, and perceiving no sufficient grounds upon which the petition should be rejected, the undersigned recommends that the said congregation of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Washington county, be admitted to communion with this Convention.

R. S. COXE.

On motion, the above reports were made the order of this evening's session, at 7 o'clock.

Leave was asked and granted, that the individuals asking to be admitted into union with the Church in this Diocese as the Olive Branch Church in Anne Arundel county, be permitted to withdraw their memorial, and that it be entered on the Journal that such permission is granted at their request.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

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FRIDAY AFTERNOON, *May 30*, 1845.

The Convention re-assembled at 4 o'clock.

On motion, the call of the roll, and the reading of the morning's proceedings were dispensed with.

The Convention proceeded to the order of the day,—the canon for the admission of new parishes and congregations.

The vote by orders being called for, the ayes and noes were asked and granted.

On calling the roll, there answered :

In the affirmative, of the clergy,	-	-	47	
“ “ “ laity,	-	-	32	
			—	79
In the negative, of the clergy,	-	-	16	
“ “ “ laity,	-	-	21	
			—	37

**AYES—Clergy.**

**NOES—Clergy.**

<b>Rt. Rev. W. R. Whittingham, D. D.</b>	<b>Rev. Henry H. Bean,</b>
<b>Rev. James Abercrombie,</b>	“ <b>Henry Brown,</b>
“ <b>Thomas Atkinson,</b>	“ <b>Thomas B. Flower,</b>
“ <b>Wm. F. Brand,</b>	“ <b>Stephen G. Gassaway,</b>
“ <b>James A. Buck,</b>	“ <b>John F. Hoff,</b>
“ <b>D. H. Buel,</b>	“ <b>H. V. D. Johns, D. D.</b>
“ <b>Samuel Buel,</b>	“ <b>Henry S. Keppler,</b>
“ <b>John Croedale,</b>	“ <b>George A. Leakin,</b>
“ <b>Adolph Frost,</b>	“ <b>Joshua Morsell,</b>
“ <b>Levin I. Gilliss,</b>	“ <b>Francis Peck,</b>
“ <b>R. L. Goldsborough,</b>	“ <b>Joshua Peterkin,</b>
“ <b>R. W. Goldsborough,</b>	“ <b>Richard Phillips,</b>
“ <b>Samuel R. Gordon,</b>	“ <b>Robert Piggott,</b>
“ <b>Wm. A. Harris,</b>	“ <b>Alexander Shiraz,</b>
“ <b>H. T. Harrison,</b>	“ <b>H. Stringfellow,</b>
“ <b>N. A. Hewitt,</b>	“ <b>Joseph Trapnell, Jr.—16.</b>
“ <b>Hector Humphreys, D. D.</b>	
“ <b>Orlando Hutton,</b>	
“ <b>Wm. P. C. Johnson,</b>	
“ <b>Clement F. Jones,</b>	
“ <b>John R. Keech,</b>	
“ <b>John B. Kerfoot,</b>	
“ <b>S. C. Kerr,</b>	
“ <b>Meyer Lewin,</b>	
“ <b>Theodore Lyman,</b>	
“ <b>D. E. Lyman,</b>	
“ <b>Alexander M. Marbury,</b>	
“ <b>John N. McJilton,</b>	
“ <b>James A. McKenney,</b>	
“ <b>Alfred A. Miller,</b>	



**AYES—Clergy, (continued.)**

Rev. John Owen,  
 “ Wm. Pinkney,  
 “ Chas. E. Pleasants,  
 “ Reuben Riley,  
 “ Joseph Spencer, D. D.  
 “ Harvey Stanley,  
 “ Edward J. Stearns,  
 “ E. M. Van Deusen,  
 “ Richard Waters,  
 “ Edward Waylen,  
 “ Henry Williams,  
 “ Thomas J. Wyatt,  
 “ Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D.  
 “ John Martin,  
 “ Smith Pyne,  
 “ Joshua Sweet,  
 “ Wm. Walsh.—47.

**AYES—Laity.**

S. I. Donaldson,  
 George Cooke,  
 George A. Hughes,  
 John L. Gardner,  
 Wm. M. Maynadier,  
 Thomas Berry,  
 Henry Chamberlaine,  
 H. E. Ballard,  
 George Riall,  
 Thomas W. Anderson,  
 A. B. Davis,  
 T. S. Alexander,  
 W. Williams,  
 Wm. Maynadier,  
 Wm. H. Warfield,  
 T. I. Dorsett,  
 Wm. H. Hebb,  
 Wm. W. Johnston,  
 Robert S. Wilson,

**NOES—Laity.**

Samuel Cheston,  
 James Carroll,  
 E. M. Lowry,  
 R. S. Coxe,  
 Grafton Tyler,  
 Thomas S. Freeland,  
 Washington Berry,  
 P. T. Berry,  
 Charles E. Mix,  
 T. W. Johnson,  
 Thomas J. Marshall,  
 John C. Hynson,  
 Geo. W. Richardson,  
 Benjamin Orrick,  
 Wm. Carmichael,  
 Wm. Gould,  
 J. G. Chapman,  
 E. J. Hall,  
 B. K. Sharretts,

**Ayes—*Laity*, (continued.)**

Isaac Van Bibber,  
E. F. Chambers,  
Frederick Dorsey,  
J. Mason Campbell,  
James Gibson,  
Thomas Grahame,  
W. R. Barker,  
R. F. Helmsley,  
Thomas Duckett,  
John Gibson,  
Thomas W. Stone,  
R. E. Dorsey,  
Daniel Jenifer, Jr.  
Thomas Maddox.—83.

**Noes—*Laity*, (continued.)**

J. H. T. McPherson,  
H. A. Johnson.—21.

On motion, the Convention took a recess for one hour.

After the recess, the following resolution was offered, and unanimously adopted.

Whereas the House of Bishops did, at their last session, receive and act upon a memorial from certain Israelites converted to the Christian faith: and whereas the Domestic Committee of our Missionary Society, in compliance with the authority given them, have appointed the Rev. Isaac P. Labagh, an ordained minister of this Church, to labor among that interesting people: and whereas, the Rev. Mr. Labagh has been instructed by the Committee of Domestic Missions to visit as many of the congregations of our communion as practicable, in order to awaken an interest in this cause, and obtain the means for its support,—

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this Convention cordially recommend to the churches in this Diocese, to remember the claims of the ancient people of God upon the religious sympathies and regards of those who are now enjoying the root and fatness of that good olive tree, from which they have been broken, and in their contributions for the support of Domestic Missions, to appropriate something for the aid of this particular Mission.

The house proceeded to consider the order for the evening session.

A motion was offered to lay the reports of the committee on the table.

A division was called for.

The chair appointed Com. Ballard, and Maj. Gardner, tellers.

The tellers reported that there were,

In the affirmative, - 76

In the negative, - 47

The reports were declared to be laid upon the table.

The following resolution was offered :

*Resolved*, That a committee of five persons be appointed by the chair, who shall, in the recess of the Convention, visit the Vestries of St. John's Parish, and of Christ Church, Hagerstown, and endeavor to conciliate the differences which have arisen between the members of said parish and of the said congregation, and to report the result of their proceedings to the next Convention.

The following substitute was offered :

*Resolved*, That Christ Church, Hagerstown, be admitted into union with this Convention.

The chair decided that the resolution was not in order.

An appeal was taken from the decision of the chair, and the house sustained the decision.

The question on the resolution to appoint a committee to visit Hagerstown was called for.

A division of the house also being called for, Messrs. Ballard and Gardner were requested to act as tellers.

The tellers reported that there were,

In the affirmative, - 80

In the negative, - 34

The vote by orders being called for, the ayes and noes were asked and granted.

On calling the roll, there answered :

In the affirmative, of the Clergy,	-	-	-	50	
“ “ “ Laity,	-	-	-	24	
				—	74
In the negative, of the Clergy,	-	-	-	11	
“ “ “ Laity,	-	-	-	22	
				—	33

*Ayes—Clergy.*

*Noes—Clergy.*

Rt. Rev. W. R. Whittingham, D. D.	Rev. Henry H. Bean,
Rev. James Abercrombie,	“ Henry Brown,
“ Henry Aisquith,	“ Stephen G. Gassaway,
“ Thos. Atkinson,	“ H. V. D. Johns, D. D.,
“ Wm. F. Brand,	“ H. S. Keppler,
“ James A. Buck,	“ Joshua Morsell,
“ David H. Buel,	“ Francis Peck,
“ Samuel Buel,	“ Richard Phillips,
“ John Crosdale,	“ Robert Piggott,
“ Adolph Frost,	“ H. Stringfellow,
“ R. L. Goldsborough,	“ Joseph Trapnell, Jr.—11.
“ R. W. Goldsborough,	
“ Samuel R. Gordon,	
“ Wm. A. Harris,	
“ Hugh T. Harrison,	
“ N. A. Hewitt,	
“ Jno. F. Hoff,	
“ Hector Humphreys, D. D.,	
“ Orlando Hutton,	
“ Wm. P. C. Johnson,	
“ Clement F. Jones, D. D.	
“ John R. Keech,	
“ John B. Kerfoot,	
“ Samuel C. Kerr,	
“ Meyer Lewin,	
“ Theodore B. Lyman,	
“ Alex. M. Marbury,	
“ Henry M. Mason, D. D.,	
“ John N. McJilton,	
“ Jas. A. McKenney,	
“ Alfred A. Miller,	
“ John Owen,	

**AYES—Clergy, (Continued.**

Rev. Wm. Pinkney,  
 " C. E. Pleasants,  
 " Reuben Riley,  
 " Joseph Spencer, D. D.,  
 " Harvey Stanley,  
 " Edward J. Stearns,  
 " E. M. Van Deusen,  
 " Richard Waters,  
 " Edward Waylen,  
 " John Wiley,  
 " Henry Williams,  
 " Thos. J. Wyatt,  
 " Wm. E. Wyatt, D. D.,  
 " D. E. Lyman,  
 " John Martin,  
 " Smith Pyne,  
 " Joshua Sweet,  
 " Wm. Walsh.—50.

**AYES—Laity.**

S. I. Donaldson,  
 Geo. Cooke,  
 Jno. L. Gardner,  
 W. M. Maynadier,  
 Thomas Berry,  
 H. Chamberlaine,  
 Geo. Riall,  
 Thos. W. Anderson,  
 A. B. Davis,  
 T. S. Alexander,  
 W. Williams,  
 W. H. Warfield,  
 T. J. Dorsett,  
 W. H. Hebb,  
 Wm. W. Johnston,  
 Thos. Schnebly,  
 J. W. Ligon,  
 E. F. Chambers,  
 Geo. Dorsey,

**NOES—Laity.**

Samuel Cheston,  
 James Carroll,  
 R. S. Coxe,  
 Grafton Tyler,  
 T. H. Freeland,  
 H. E. Ballard,  
 Washington Berry,  
 P. T. Berry,  
 Charles E. Mix,  
 T. W. Johnson,  
 T. J. Marshal,  
 Thos. Shriver,  
 J. J. Stewart,  
 Benjamin Orrick,  
 Wm. Carmichael,  
 Wm. Gould,  
 E. T. Massey,  
 Thos. Duckett,  
 E. J. Hall,

**AYES—Laity, (continued.)**

J. Mason Campbell,  
 John Gibson,  
 Daniel Jenifer, Jr.,  
 Thomas Maddox,  
 Thos. J. Claggett.—24.

**NOES—Laity, (continued.)**

B. K. Sharretts,  
 J. H. T. McPherson,  
 Henry A. Johnston.—22.

The Rev. Mr. Peterkin, and the Rev. Mr. Shiraz asked to be excused from voting; and the question being put to the house, their request was granted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned.

**SATURDAY, May 31, 1845.**

The Convention assembled at 9 o'clock.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Mr. Rees, and the Lessons by the Rev. Mr. Stearns.

The roll was called, and the minutes of yesterday's proceedings read and approved.

The following resolution was offered and adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of this Convention be directed to pay to the delegates to the last General Convention from this Diocese, the amount of the expenses incurred by attendance thereon.

The Committee on Parochial Contributions made the following report, which was, on motion, accepted:

The Committee on Parochial Contributions report, that the following parishes have paid the sums which follow:

Stepney Parish, Somerset County (for three years,) . . .	\$18 00
Christ Church, Queen Anne county, . . .	9 50
Somerset Parish, . . .	6 00
St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, . . .	9 00
Coventry Parish, Worcester county, . . .	6 00
Christ Church, and St. John's, Prince George and Charles counties, . . .	6 00

All Saints' Parish, Frederick county,	\$14 00
St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county,	10 00
Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county,	6 00
St. John's Church, Rock Spring, Harford county,	3 00
St. John's Church, Howard district,	6 00
All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county,	6 00
William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county,	7 00
Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish,	6 00
Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county,	6 00
St. Paul's Parish, Kent county,	4 00
Trinity Church, Washington,	14 00
Great Choptank Parish,	6 00
St. John's Parish, Prince George county,	17 00
St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county (for 1844 and '45,)	14 00
St. John's, Baltimore and Harford counties,	3 00
St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county,	6 00
Christ Church, Baltimore,	36 00
All Saints' Parish, Calvert county,	6 00
St. Augustin's Parish, Cecil county,	6 00
Grace Church, Calvert county,	6 00
Severn Church, Anne Arundel county,	6 00
Christ Church, Washington,	18 00
St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county,	6 00
St. Anne's Church, Anne Arundel county,	10 00
Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county,	6 00
Trinity Church, Upper Marlborough,	7 00
Zion Parish, Frederick county,	6 00
Chester Parish,	6 00
St. Margaret's Westminster Parish, Anne Arundel county,	9 00
Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county,	6 00
King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county,	6 00
St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county,	6 00
Trinity Parish, Charles county,	6 00
St. John's Parish, Washington county,	9 00
St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore,	45 00
St. Mary's, and Trinity, Cecil county,	6 00
St. Paul's, Frederick county,	6 00
Christ Church, Georgetown,	8 00
St. John's Church, Washington,	14 00

St. Mark's, Frederick county, . . . . .	12 00
Parish of Holy Trinity, Prince George county, . . . . .	7 00
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	\$435 50

J. W. FRENCH, *Chairman.*

The Trustees of the Episcopal Fund submitted their annual report, which was, on motion, accepted. (See Appendix.)

The chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund stated, that the Hon. Alex. C. Magruder, and James Howard, Esq., were desirous to resign their offices of trustees; whereupon,

On motion, the Convention proceeded to elect two persons to fill the vacancies at the Board.

John S. Gittings and Robert Nelson, Esqs., were then nominated, and declared to be duly elected.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Convention be authorized to pay to the sexton of St. Paul's Church, the sum of \$20, for his attendance on the Convention.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the sum of \$50, be appropriated to the Secretary to have the Journal transcribed.

On motion it was *Resolved*, That the next annual Convention shall be held in St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.

It having been stated to the house that the last General Convention decided that this Diocese is entitled to 17 Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, and that there were but 12 now sent, it was,

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention do now proceed to an election to fill said vacancies.

Rev. Samuel C. Kerr,	H. D. Evans, Esq.,
“ Alfred A. Miller,	Henry Chamberlain, Esq.,
“ Theodore B. Lyman,	

Were nominated, and declared to be duly elected.

On motion, the Convention went into an election for six persons to constitute an Executive Committee of Missions for the ensuing year. The former committee was nominated, and declared to be duly elected, as follows:



Rev. Dr. Wyatt,	S. I. Donaldson, Esq.,
“ George F. Worthington,	H. D. Evans, Esq.,
“ Thomas Atkinson,	J. Mason Campbell, Esq.

On motion the Convention proceeded to elect a Board of Trustees of the fund for superannuated and infirm clergymen. The following named gentlemen—consisting of the former board—were nominated, and declared to be duly elected.

Rev. Thos. Atkinson,	Thos. S. Alexander, Esq.,
“ E. M. Van Deusen,	R. S. Coxe. Esq.,

John Glenn, Esq.

The Standing Committee made their annual report on the state of the Church, as follows, which was read and accepted :

*Report of the Committee on the State of the Church.*

The Committee on the State of the Church respectfully report, that nothing has been presented in the communication of the Bishop to the Convention, nor in the parochial reports, which calls for the action of this body to bring it before the notice of this Convention.

W. E. WYATT, *Chairman.*

On motion, the Secretary was instructed to have the usual number of copies of the Journal printed.

It was, on motion, *Resolved*, that the thanks of the Convention be tendered to the Secretary and assistant Secretary for the faithful performance of their duties.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Convention adjourn *sine die*, after the usual religious exercises.

The members of the Convention united in singing the 98th Psalm of the Selection, and the session was closed with Prayers and the Benediction, by the Bishop.

WILLIAM ROLLINSON WHITTINGHAM,  
*Bishop of Maryland,*  
*and President of the Convention of the Diocese.*

*Attest,*

HERVEY COLBURN, *Secretary.*

# APPENDIX.

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## PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

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### *Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 14, colored 1, . . . . .	15
Confirmed—white, . . . . .	24
Communicants—last reported 66—added 26—died 2—removed 5—present number, . . . . .	85
Marriages—white, . . . . .	2
Funerals—infants, white 4—adults, white 3, . . . . .	7
Sunday School—male teachers 6, female teachers 8, . . . . .	14
“ male scholars 33, female scholars 38, . . . . .	71
Offerings—General Missions—Domestic, . . . . .	\$65 46½
“ Foreign, . . . . .	28 23½
Diocesan Missions, . . . . .	20 40½
Bishop's visitation, (Prayer Book and Homily Society,) . . . . .	16 64
Christmas offerings for Sunday School Library, . . . . .	16 88
Other offerings, . . . . .	72 18
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	\$219 80½

SAMUEL BUEL, *Rector.*

Cumberland, May, 1845.

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### *Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegany county.*

Baptisms—infants 30, adults 2, . . . . .	32
Confirmed, . . . . .	2
Communicants—added 2—removed 8—present number, . . . . .	25
Marriages, . . . . .	3
Funerals, . . . . .	6

Collections for Foreign and Domestic Missions, . . . . .	\$11 80
For the Episcopate—Deficiency in 1844, . . . . .	\$10 00
Interest, . . . . .	60
For the year 1845 (in part,) . . . . .	9 40
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	\$20 00

With the blessing of the Lord, we have been enabled to commence the erection of an Episcopal Church at Mount Savage.—Its dimensions are 45 by 26 feet. In the course of three months it is to be ready for consecration.

J. H. KEHLER, *Missionary in Allegany county.*

*Post Office, Cumberland.*

*All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 20, colored 33, - - - -	53
Confirmed—white, - - - - -	1
Communicants—added 3—restored 1—moved into the parish 1	
—removed 1—withdrawn 1—present number (one colored,)	30
Marriages—white 7, colored 6, - - - -	13
Funerals—white 4, colored 1, - - - -	5
Communion offerings, - - - - -	\$34 57½

W. F. BRAND, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Davidsonville, May, 1845.*

*Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms—white 3, colored 5, - - - -	8
Communicants—added 3—died 1—removed 2—present number,	26
Marriages—white 3, colored 1, - - - -	4
Funerals—white 1, colored 1, - - - -	2
Weekly offerings, - - - - -	\$68 00

RICHARD H. WATERS, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Savage, A. A. co.*

*St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 6, colored 3, - - - -	9
Communicants—last reported 115—died 5—removed 4—added	
12—present number, - - - - -	118

Marriages—white 4, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	11
Contributions for Church purposes,	-	-	-	-	-	\$388 00

EDWIN M. VAN DEUSEN, *Rector.*

*Annapolis, May 27, 1845.*

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*St James's Parish, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms—white 11, colored 13,	-	-	-	-	-	24
Communicants—last reported 69—removed 2—died 2—added						
3—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	65
Marriages—white 3, colored 6,	-	-	-	-	-	9
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	7
Contributions to benevolent objects,	-	-	-	-	-	\$207 67

The rector of this parish regrets that more has not been done for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom in his parish. He would, however, be thankful even for "the day of small things," and take course in the time to come. The white congregations have been large, serious, and attentive. The colored congregation has been conducted now for eighteen months, under very encouraging circumstances. Their services have been well and regularly attended, and we hope not without profit. Several are awaiting the bishop's visit before they connect themselves with the church. There are also some of the white congregation who intend to come forward for confirmation. A Sunday school has been commenced in the church with every prospect of success. The rector would state here, with gratitude to his congregation, that they are not unmindful of his temporal comforts,—and with gratitude to God, that they adhere closely to the doctrines of our Protestant Church.

JOSHUA MORSELL, *Rector.*

*P. O., West River, May 26th, 1845.*

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*Ellicott Chapel, Patuxent Forge, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptism—white,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	7
Marriages—white,	-	-	-	-	-	3
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	-	1

HENRY AISQUITH, *Rector.*

*May 30th, 1845.*

*Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing.*

Baptisms—Infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Offerings at the Communion, about	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$20 00

The congregation is very small, there being but 7 or 8 families permanently attached to it. The average attendance in winter is but about 25 ; in summer, the number is doubled by families from Baltimore that have country seats on the Ridge, and by transient boarders. One of these families is about to take up its permament residence with us, and it is to be hoped that others may soon follow. During the past year, an effort has been made to pay off the church debt. The ladies of the congregation held a fair on the 4th of July, the proceeds of which, about \$300, have been applied in part payment of it, and measures are now in progress, which, it is expected, will soon result in its entire liquidation.

EDWARD J. STEARNS.

*St. John's Church, Howard District.*

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Marriages—white 1, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Communicants—last reported 26 —died 1—removed 2—added							
3—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	26

Sunday Offerings, \$169 13.

Appropriated as follows—

Domestic Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$25 00
Diocesan,	-	-	-	-	-	-	78 38
Superannuated clergy,	-	-	-	-	-	-	9 52
Parochial purposes, including Bishop and Convention fund,							56 23
							<u>\$169 13</u>

The rector has the pleasure of reporting that within the past year the chancel has been enlarged and furnished with new altar, lectern and pulpit.

HUGH T. HARRISON, *Rector.*

*St. John's Parsonage, near Ellicotts' Mills, May 27, 1845.*

*Severn Church, Anne Arundel county.*

Baptisms—white 10, colored 13,	-	-	-	-	-	23
Communicants—added 2—died 2—stricken off 1—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	40

Marriages—colored,	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Funerals—white 5, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

HENRY AISQUITH, *Rector*.

*Post Office, Millersville.*

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*St Paul's Parish, Baltimore.*

Baptisms,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	380

W. E. WYATT, *Rector*.

T. J. WYATT, *Assistant Minister*.

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*Church of the Ascension, Baltimore.*

There seems to have been less of divine influence resting upon this Church during the past year, than upon that immediately preceding. Enough however has been bestowed to awaken our gratitude, and form an incentive to renewed exertion. From the gradual, yet decided progress that this Church is making with every year, we are warranted in looking forward to the time as not far remote when the aid so long, and so generously bestowed by the congregation of St. Peter's, shall be no longer needed, and the debt which (though annually diminishing) is still a serious hindrance to our progress shall be entirely liquidated.

Baptisms—infants 26—adults 2,	-	-	-	-	-	28
Communicants—added 16—removed 5—died 2—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	115
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	16
Sunday School—male department, teachers 13, scholars 66.						
“ female “ “ 15, “ 109.						

FRANCIS PECK, *Rector*.

*Baltimore, May 28, 1845.*

*Church of the Redemption and Cranmer Chapel, Baltimore.*

The Rector of the Church of the Redemption having received a call to Cranmer Chapel on the 22d of March last, accepted the same, with the understanding that his congregation were willing to follow him. Which they have done. So that, although the separate organization of the Vestry of the Church of the Redemption is retained for the special objects for which they were incorporated, the report will be substantially that of the congregation now worshipping at Cranmer Chapel.

Baptisms—infants, (colored 2,) - - - - -	13
Communicants, perhaps more, but certain, - - - - -	36
Marriages, - - - - -	3
Funerals, - - - - -	6
Sunday School—scholars, male 96, female 139, - - -	235
“ teachers, “ 14, “ 19, - - -	33

The Rector acknowledges, with gratitude, the appropriation of \$400 annually to his support by the ladies of Christ Church, Baltimore.

ROBERT PIGGOT, *Rector*  
*of the Church of the Redemption and Cranmer Chapel, Baltimore*

*Cranmer Chapel.*

My engagement at Cranmer Chapel was concluded at the opening of Trinity Church. Below is my report from May, 1844 to March 1845.

Baptisms—infants, - - - - -	13
Communicants, - - - - -	20
Confirmed, - - - - -	8
Marriages, - - - - -	4
Funerals, - - - - -	6
Sunday School—teachers, male 11, female 12, - - -	23
“ scholars, “ 75, “ 105, - - -	180

Rev. Mr. Piggott, my successor, will doubtless give any other information requisite.

GEORGE ARMISTEAD LEAKIN.

*Christ Church, Baltimore.*

In making out his report this year, the Rector has thoroughly explored the communicants' roll, and removed from it every name of non-attending persons.

He has reason to suspect, that his last report was beyond the real number, but he was unwilling, in consequence of his recent connexion with this Church, to omit any names, until he had thoroughly examined the subject.

During the past year, we have lost an unusual number by removals to the two new congregations of Cranmer Chapel and Trinity, and several of our most valued brethren have been called to their everlasting rest. Forty-one new names have been enrolled among our communicants, and a few are now, on the report, in readiness for confirmation. The Church continues to sustain a missionary at an expense of four hundred dollars a year, the sphere of whose labors is Cranmer Chapel and school: also, its own Sunday schools, which are doing well, and an asylum for 25 destitute children, which costs about twelve hundred a year. The pews are occupied, and the services, both on Sunday and Wednesday evening, have been well attended.

Our chief want is of a more deep and tender sense of obligation to Christ and of more of the spirit of prayer.

Communicants, - - - - -	340
Baptism—adults 8, infants 25, - - - - -	28
Deaths—adults 13, infants 7, - - - - -	20
Contributions to various objects, including three thousand dollars subscribed for the erection of the old chime of bells, about -	\$5,500

HENRY V. D. JOHNS, *Rector.*

*Baltimore, May 28, 1845.*

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*Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.*

Baptisms—adults, white 4, infants 6, . . . . .	10
Confirmed—white, . . . . .	7
Communicants—last reported 30—added by removal 10—new 15—removed 2—present number, . . . . .	53
Funerals—white, . . . . .	8
Sunday Schools—teachers, male 9, female 9, . . . . .	18
“ scholars, “ 40, “ 60, . . . . .	100
Collections—special for Missions, . . . . .	\$ 19 62
“ “ Episcopal Fund, . . . . .	18 80
Sunday Offerings, about . . . . .	300 00

On the 10th of September last, the corner stone of our church edifice was laid by the bishop, in the presence of many attending clergy, and a large con-



gregation. The building has since steadily progressed, and is now ready for pews and plastering. The contract has been closed for its completion during the coming autumn, and we hope that when finished it will be free from debt and ready for consecration. The congregation still worship in the rented room, where a daily service has been held during the greater part of the past year. St. Paul's Parish has continued its fostering aid to our infant flock, and the ladies' association belonging to the same, have lately presented to the church a handsome silver communion set, which will be treasured as the appropriate and acceptable memorial of their desire for our prosperity.

Our church is situated in a part of the city where the community is rapidly growing; and the hope may be reasonably entertained, that it will soon have, under God's blessing, a congregation ready to do its part in sustaining and extending the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour.

ALFRED A. MILLER, *Rector.*

May, 1845.

*St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore.*

The subscriber accepted the rectorship of this church on the 1st of January of the present year. The accompanying report presents the statistics of the church between that date and the present.

Baptisms—adults 2, infants 7,	-	-	-	-	9
Communicants—last reported 135—died 1—present number—					
assuming the last reported number to be correct,	-				134
Married,	-	-	-	-	3
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	9
Contributions to charitable and church purposes, viz:					
Communicants' alms,	-	-	-	-	\$32 00
Sunday collections,	-	-	-	-	80 00
Proceeds of the Ladies' Fair,	-	-	-	-	500 00
Special contribution for the support of the Episcopate,	-	-	-	-	42 00
In aid of aged and infirm clergymen,	-	-	-	-	13 00
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					\$667 00

In making this report to the Convention, the rector is gratified to remark a growing interest on the part of the congregation in the prosperity of Zion; the attendance upon our services is gradually but decidedly improving,—vigorous effort is all that is now required to place St. Andrew's on a permanent and substantial basis, and I am glad to perceive something like a resolve on the part of

our people that that effort shall be made. If we possessed but a small fraction of that love for our natural temple which the ancient Israelites did for Zion, we should never hear of Church property being embarrassed, but our very first concern would be to build, and to *pay for too*, the house of the Lord of Hosts, and then, in its due place, provide for our own convenience and comfort.

JOS. TRAPNELL, Jr. *Rector.*

*Baltimore, May 28th.*

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*St. Peter's Church, Baltimore.*

Baptisms—adults 2, infants 28,	-	-	-	-	30
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	326
Marriages,	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	17

The system of weekly offerings is kept up in this parish, and in rendering an account to the congregation lately of the sums thus received, they were found to amount to nearly \$1800 for the period during which the present rector has been fulfilling his duties, being at that time about 18 months. A sewing society belonging to the parish contributed five hundred dollars during the last year to aid a new congregation in the city. In addition to the free school, which being endowed, is no charge on the congregation, there has, during the last year, been organised a Female Charity Asylum, for the support and education of destitute girls. To this between 7 and 800 dollars have been subscribed for its annual income. Contributions were likewise made in the parish, to assist the Bishops of Virginia in their effort to endow a professorship in the Theological Seminary near Alexandria,—but the amount is not known to the rector.

THOMAS ATKINSON, *Rector.*

*May 28th, 1845.*

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*St. Stephen's Church, Baltimore.*

Baptisms—adults 4, infants 14,	.	.	.	.	18
Communicants,	.	.	.	.	30
Marriages,	.	.	.	.	2
Funerals,	.	.	.	.	9

J. N. McJILTON, *Rector.*

*May 27, 1845.*

*St. James's (African) Church.*

Baptisms,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4
Communicants,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	41
Marriages,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4

J. N. McJILTON, *Rector.*

*May 27, 1845.*



*Maryland Hospital.*

Divine worship is conducted in this institution every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock.

J. N. McJILTON, *Chaplain.*

*May 27, 1845.*



*Trinity Church, Baltimore.*

Baptisms—infants,	-	-	-	-	-	10
Communicants—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	21
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Sunday School—teachers, male 6, female 9,				-	-	15
“ scholars, “ 30, “ 50,				-	-	80

On August 6th, 1844, the corner stone of Trinity Church, Fell's Point, was laid by the Bishop, with several of the clergy ; and on the 6th of March of this year, the Church was opened for Divine service. The building is Gothic, designed by Robert Cary Long, Esq., Architect. Its dimensions in the interior are 25 feet by 67 : 10 feet additional used for a chancel. The total cost including furniture of every kind will be about \$3,000. The lot is 45 by 100, and was obtained at a yearly ground rent of \$67. This of course is exclusive of the building's cost. The object of its erection was to supply a deficiency occasioned by the loss of old Trinity Church,—many members of which have been wandering about, going to no permanent place of public worship. Having now a Church in their midst, they have once more gathered together, and the congregation from this and other sources numbers 60 families. The seats on the ground floor will accommodate 250 persons : the gallery 40 or 50 more.

*St. Thomas's Parish, Baltimore county.*

Baptisms, . . . . .	5
Marriages, . . . . .	2
Communicants, . . . . .	14

CHARLES C. AUSTIN, *Rector.*

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*St. John's Church, Huntingdon, Baltimore county.*

Baptisms—adults, white 3, infants, white 2, colored 2, . . .	7
Confirmed—white, . . . . .	8
Communicants—last reported 5—added 11—present number, . . .	16
Marriage—white, . . . . .	1
Funerals—white, . . . . .	3
Catechists, . . . . .	3
Catechumens, . . . . .	21

Since the last report, the congregation has been organised, a site for a church purchased, with two serviceable stone buildings upon it,—in one of which the congregation worships for the present; and arrangements have been made for the support and residence of the clergyman. During the past eight months, there have been two regular services on Sunday; several of the holy days—Christmas, Epiphany, Ash-Wednesday, Good-Friday, and Ascension-Day, have also been observed, so far as circumstances would allow. The children have been several times publicly catechised.

In addition to his duties at Huntingdon, the undersigned begs leave to report to his bishop, that he has performed different services of the Church, and assisted in them, on twenty-five occasions, and preached seventy-seven times, besides regularly assisting in the daily service at Mount Calvary Church.

NATHANIEL A. HEWITT, *Rector.*

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May, 1845.

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*Parish of the Holy Trinity, Carroll and Baltimore counties.*

Baptisms—infant, white, . . . . .	1
Communicants—last reported 6—died 1—present number, . . .	5
Funeral—white, . . . . .	1
Offerings for religious purposes out of the parish, . . . . .	\$50 40

The congregation in this parish has increased during the past year, and the Church seems to be exciting a more extensive and deeper interest in the minds of the community.

The Rector has continued to officiate at Lisbon, in Howard District, on every other Sunday afternoon.

The statistics of the little congregation at that place are as follows :

Baptisms—adult, white, - - - - -	1
Confirmed—white, - - - - -	2
Communicants—last reported 7—added 2—present number,	9

D. HILLHOUSE BUEL, *Rector*.

*St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties.*

This parish has sustained a serious and afflicting loss since the last Convention, by death and removal. Two or three families have been entirely broken up, and their places have not as yet been supplied, and perhaps will not for a long time, by others of equal worth and usefulness. But notwithstanding this severe and afflicting loss, the congregations continue nearly if not quite as large, and frequently excite the pleasing hope, that the constant administration of the word and sacraments has not been without effect. The calls for ministerial duty, both in public and private, are more frequent than ever. The inquiry after the way of peace and eternal life more earnest. The desire to become acquainted with the Church and her soul-inspiring system more frequent. And though the communion has suffered so great a loss by death and removal, the number has been more than made up by the addition of other members.

For eighteen months past, the offerings of the congregations to Church objects have been received regularly each alternate Sunday, after the sermon, at the altar, and the result has been admirable, far exceeding the most sanguine expectations. Previously we were never prepared for any emergency that might occur, or any of the numerous calls of the Church institutions,—but since, besides paying off some debts in both congregations, and meeting promptly the different incidental expenses of the parish, contributions have been made to the Missionary Society to the amount of \$43 61, and to the association for the aid of disabled clergymen, to the amount of \$7 17,—and it is believed that more will be done in future. At first the plan was entered upon with fear and trembling; but being recommended so strongly by our own worthy diocesan, and so many of the bishops, it was pursued with prayer and dependence upon the

great Head of the Church, and so far its practical operations have been admirable, and we would say to all our brethren, "Go and do thou likewise." In the above parish there have been,

Marriages,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Baptisms—adults 6, infants 8,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Communicants—last reported 81—since deceased and removed								
8—added 11—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	84
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4

JOHN R. KEECH, *Rector.*

*All Saints' Parish, Calvert county.*

Baptisms—white 7, colored 9,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
Communicants—added 3—removed 2—present number,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47
Marriages—white 3, colored 2,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Burials,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Offerings,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$58 10

The hope which the rector entertained, of having a church built in the upper part of his parish, during the past year, has been disappointed, owing to unexpected obstacles having been cast in the way. He trusts, however, that at some future period they will be removed, and a church built at a point where it is much needed.

H. WILLIAMS, *Rector.*

*Sunderland P. O., May 26.*

*Christ Church Parish, Calvert county.*

Baptisms—white 10, colored 4,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Communicants,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	70
Marriages—white 3, colored 2,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5

This report dates from the 20th of October, 1844, at which time the undersigned became rector of the parish.

J. SWEET, *Rector.*

*P. O., Port Republic.*

*St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county.*

The rector, with gratitude to the great Head of the Church, would report a more favorable state of things the present than the past year. The congregation is large and attentive, and he humbly trusts that the word sowed in prayer and faith will ripen into a glorious harvest. Through the exertions of the ladies, a considerable sum has been raised towards the liquidation of the church debt, and the day is not distant when all our liabilities will be cancelled; and the church consecrated. Our infant Zion, we fondly hope in the good Providence of God, is destined to be a rich blessing to the neighborhood in which it is located, and an ark of safety to many a weary pilgrim in this vale of tears.

Baptisms—white 8, colored 7,	15
Communicants,	16
Funerals,	1

ROBERT PROUT.

*Prince Frederick, May, 1845.*

*Parish of the Ascension, Carroll county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 4, colored 3,	7
Confirmed—white,	4
Communicants—last reported 5—added 4—present number,	9
Funerals—white,	1
Offerings—for religious purposes out of the parish,	\$42 03

This parish was established at the last Convention. Soon after its formation the work of building a parish church was commenced, and is now in successful progress. The parishioners have contributed well toward this object, and have been most kindly aided by their brethren in other parts of the diocese. We hope to have our church ready for consecration during the next fall.

D. HILLHOUSE BUEL, *Rector.*

*Westminster, Carroll county.*

*St. Augustine Parish, Cecil county.*

Communicants—last reported 12—died 3—removed 2—present number,	7
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B. W. HARRIS, *Lay Delegate.*

*St. Mary's and Trinity Parish, Cecil county.*

Baptisms—adults, white 10, colored 1—infants, white 22, colored 2, . . . . .	35
Confirmed in the parish church at North East, . . . . .	3
(The rite was delayed at the chapel in consequence of the lamented illness of the bishop.)	
Communicants—last reported 35—added 8—died 1—removed 5—present number, . . . . .	37
Marriages—white 4, colored 1, . . . . .	5
Funerals—white, . . . . .	4

St. Mary's, the ancient and venerable parish church of St. Mary Ann's Parish, having never been consecrated, though built more than 100 years since, was blessed with the holy rite by the bishop, in the presence of a number of the clergy, on the third day of September, A. D. 1844. And on the same day the bishop laid the corner stone of St. Mark's Chapel, on a beautiful lot of ground, given to the parish by the Misses Gale, of Brookland. The chapel is completed, and is now awaiting consecration;—though small in proportion, it is quite a handsome Catholic structure, with free sittings throughout. The beautiful service of silver plate was given by a generous hearted member of St. Paul's, in Baltimore,—and to that congregation, and St. Peter's of the same city, we are indebted for seasonable aid in its erection. The chapel is faithfully served by a lay reader, except when the holy sacraments are celebrated by the parish priest. The parish church has suffered by the removal of one or two families to the adjoining State, and the withdrawal of others, who attend at the chapel of ease in the immediate neighborhood. Daily morning and evening service was celebrated during the past Summer, in Trinity Church, Elkton. Appropriations have been made from the weekly offertory to various charities, within and without the diocese. The amount small, as we have "but little" of this world's goods, though I trust we have "gladly given of that little."

R. LLOYD GOLDSBOROUGH, *Rector.*

*Elkton, May, 1845.*

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*St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county.*

The rector reports, that the services of the Church have been regularly performed on Sundays and the principal holy days; and though but little change has been made in the list of communicants, yet for the regular and general



attendance of the members of the congregation upon the ministrations of the sanctuary, and by their many acts of personal kindness, he has abundant cause to thank God and take courage.

Baptisms, . . . . .	15
Marriages, . . . . .	4
Communicants—last reported 34—removed 4—added 3—present number, . . . . .	33

JOHN WILEY, *Rector*.

*Cecilton.*

*Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	75
Confirmed, - - - - -	12
Communicants—some added, but deaths prevent me from reporting more than - - - - -	211
Marriages, - - - - -	15
Funerals, - - - - -	25
Sunday Schools, - - - - -	2
Offerings—for widows and orphans of deceased clergymen, and for superannuated clergymen, - - - - -	\$8 14
For Domestic Missions, - - - - -	13 67½
For Foreign Missions, - - - - -	13 67½
For the completion of a church in one of the upper parishes in the diocese, - - - - -	140 70
	<hr/> \$176 19

LEMUEL WILMER, *Rector*.

*Trinity Parish, Charles county.*

The rector of Trinity Parish respectfully reports to the Bishop of the Diocese, in Trinity Parish,

Baptisms, - - - - -	76
Confirmed, - - - - -	23
Communicants, - - - - -	126
Marriages, - - - - -	10
Funerals, - - - - -	28
For Missions, - - - - -	\$32 48
For Prayer Book and Homily Society, - - - - -	7 27½
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## In All Faith Parish, St. Mary's county,

Baptisms, - - - - -	3
Funerals, - - - - -	3

The rector regrets to be obliged further to state, that the Chapel of his Parish yet remains without that remodelling and repairing, which, at an expense of five or six hundred dollars, would make it a very convenient and neat house of worship. The hope, however, is still entertained that something will be done before long, for the accomplishment of this, not merely most desirable, but *most necessary* purpose. By the assistance of our neighbors, who are most constant members of our congregation, five or six hundred dollars ought to be made up with the utmost ease—may God's blessing be upon the prospect now had in view by the rector.

JAMES ABERCROMBIE, *Rector.**Charlotte Hall, St. Mary's county.**William and Mary Parish, Charles county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 7, colored 14, . . . . .	21
Communicants—last reported 40—admitted and deceased 1— added by removal 2—added from dissent 1—present number,	43
Marriages—white 1, colored 5, . . . . .	6
Funerals—white 16, colored 5, . . . . .	21
Contributions to Missions and other charitable objects, . . . . .	\$56 87½

JOHN W. TODD, *Rector.**Milton Hill, May 28th, 1845. .**Rock Creek Parish, District of Columbia.*

Baptisms—infants, white 8, colored 2, . . . . .	10
Confirmations, . . . . .	2
Communicants—last reported 51—displaced 2—died 2—pre- sent number, . . . . .	47
Marriage, . . . . .	1
Funerals, . . . . .	9
Collections for various purposes, about . . . . .	\$40 00

W. A. HARRIS, *Rector.**P. O. Washington, May, 1845.*

*Christ Church, Washington Parish, Washington city.*

Baptisms, . . . . .	15
Communicants—added 2—died 1—removed and withdrawn 5	
—present number, . . . . .	118
Marriages, . . . . .	7
Funerals, . . . . .	6
Collections for different benevolent objects, . . . . .	\$252 81
Sunday School about as last reported.	

HENRY H. BEANE, *Rector.**Church of the Ascension, Washington city.*

The rector of this Parish, regularly organized since the last Convention, would remark, that in his last report to the Convention as missionary in the city of Washington, under the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese, he referred to the fact, that under the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, steps had been taken to organize a new congregation, and that the prospect of success was truly cheering. The object has been carried out, and a petition will be presented to the present Convention for admission. The corner stone of a neat and commodious church edifice was laid by the Bishop of the Diocese, in September last. The building has been erected and covered in, and is now going on to completion, with the hope and expectation of occupying it early in September or October. Much praise is due to the individuals who have labored with untiring industry, to accomplish what has been done, amid difficulties, such as few new congregations have had to encounter. The congregation has gradually increased in numbers, with the prospect of a large addition, so soon as a comfortable place for worshipping shall be afforded them. The rector reports during the year,

Baptisms, . . . . .	11
Communicants—last reported 21—added 34—removed 1—died	
1—present number, . . . . .	53
Marriages, . . . . .	1
Funerals, . . . . .	3

L. I. GILLISS, *Rector.**Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C.*

Baptisms—infants, . . . . .	18
Confirmation, . . . . .	1

Communicants, . . . . .	141
Marriages, . . . . .	6
Burials, . . . . .	6
Contributions to objects out of the congregation, . . . . .	\$171 96
“ “ in the “ . . . . .	\$1,635 00

J. W. FRENCH, *Rector.*

*St. John's Church, Washington, D. C.*

The present rector assumed the exercise of his duties as assistant rector of this parish, on Trinity Sunday, 1844, and succeeded to the rectorship, by the death of the Rev. Mr. Hawley, the late rector, on the 28d of January, 1845. In adverting to the decease of his beloved and lamented colleague, the present occasion only permits him to express, in the briefest words, his sense of that bereavement. After a connexion of eight months of uninterrupted harmony and offices of mutual affection, the successor to the functions prays that he may succeed to the kind and gentle spirit of his predecessor, and that his “last end may be like his.” The fluctuating character of the population of Washington, and more especially of a portion of this congregation, renders it difficult to make more than an approximation to its actual number. Since the first of January, 1844, there has been an addition of 47 to the pew holders in St. John's Church, the larger portion of whom, it is believed, have been added within the last twelve months.

Baptisms—infants 31, adults 4, . . . . .	35
Communicants—added, about 30—died 2—present number about, . . . . .	140

The contributions exclusive of those applied to the exigencies of St. John's Church itself, amount to about \$600 00.

There is a number of candidates for confirmation, but the administration of the rite has been suspended in consequence of the illness of the bishop.

SMITH PYNE, *Rector.*

*Trinity Parish, Washington city.*

Baptisms—infants, white, . . . . .	17
Communicants—removed 32—added 10—present number, . . . . .	280
Marriages, . . . . .	6

Funerals,	5
Sunday School teachers,	30
“ scholars,	180
Amount contributed to Missionary and other objects connected with the Church, \$950 00.	
H. STRINGFELLOW, <i>Rector</i> .	

*Christ Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

Baptisms—adult, white 1 ; infants, white 11, colored 4,	16
Confirmed—white 11, colored 2,	13
Communicants—last reported 203—to which should be added, as omitted erroneously, 4—added since 14—died 5—removed 4—present number (187 white, 25 colored,)	212
Marriages—white,	2
Funerals—white 10, colored 3,	13
Sunday Schools—teachers, male 11, female 17,	28
“ scholars, “ 73, “ 114,	187
Contributions for various objects as follows—	
Monthly collection for Missions, about	\$180 00
Special collection for parish school, Galveston, Texas,	23 00
“ “ church at Houston, Texas,	61 25
Special collection on Advent Sunday for Domestic Missions, about	40 00
Special collection on Easter Sunday for Superannuated and disabled clergy,	37 00
And for other objects,	17 00
Male Sunday School, for Missions, about	85 00
Female “ for Africa,	20 00
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In addition, the rector has great pleasure in stating, that this congregation, in connexion with that of St. John’s Church, have sustained a city mission during the past year. They have secured the services of the Rev. Edward C. Jones, who, since last December, has been laboring faithfully, and with an encouraging degree of success, in Georgetown.

S. G. GASSAWAY, *Rector*.

May, 1845.

*St. John's Church, Georgetown, D. C.*

Baptisms—adult, colored 1, infants, white 10, . . . . .	11
Confirmations—white 11, colored 1, . . . . .	12
Communicants—last reported 100—added 18—died 3—removed 3—present number, . . . . .	112
Marriages—white 2, colored 1, . . . . .	3
Funerals, . . . . .	7
Contributions—for benevolent purposes, . . . . .	\$668 60
“ for parochial purposes, . . . . .	178 66
	<hr/> \$847 26

ALEXANDER SHIRAS, *Rector.**Christ Church, Great Choptank Parish, Dorchester county.*

Baptisms, . . . . .	6
Communicants—added 1—died 1—removed 1—present number, . . . . .	48
Marriages, . . . . .	5
Funerals, . . . . .	4

Contributions to Church objects out of the parish, exclusive of subscriptions to the Episcopal fund :

Domestic department of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, . . . . .	\$120 80
Diocesan Missions, . . . . .	40 00
Fund for superannuated clergymen, . . . . .	25 00
Bishop's salary, . . . . .	25 00
Prayer Book Society of Maryland, . . . . .	8 50
Other diocesan objects, . . . . .	13 00
	<hr/> \$231 50

J. A. McKENNEY, *Rector.**Cambridge, May 28th, 1845.**Vienna Parish, Dorchester county.*

I officiated at Vienna, by appointment of the bishop, every other Sunday, from June 1844, to January 1845. There are not more than 10 or 12 who call themselves Churchmen, who provided a room for the Missionary to hold service in. This parish has been almost entirely neglected for the last twenty

years; of the few Church people that remain, 4 are communicants. Good might be done here by a missionary, though he will have to encounter much opposition from "ignorance and prejudice;" the services were always better attended than could have been expected, and sometimes the congregations were very large. I resigned this station with very great reluctance.—I hope the Church will provide the services of a missionary for it.

MEYER LEWIN, *Missionary.*

*All Saints' Parish, Frederick county.*

Baptisms—adult, white 1—infants white 15, colored 9	-	25
Communicants—last reported 146—added 11—from other cures 10—died 5—removed 10—present number, (of which 14 are colored,)	- - - - -	152
Marriages—white, 11, colored, 3,	- - - - -	14
Funerals—white 15, colored 5,	- - - - -	20
Sunday Schools 3 in number, (one of them for colored persons, having fifty scholars,)		
Teachers, in all,	- - - - -	32
Scholars,	- - - - -	160
Contributions, about	- - - - -	\$1000

The rector records with gratitude to God a gradual improvement in the condition of this parish,—he believes the number of communicants to be greater than at any previous period, and he is happy in the hope, that as a general thing, they are endeavoring to "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST."

The fine building erected some years ago at a cost of about \$4000, and which has long been occupied as a *free* day school under the control of our congregation, is at length entirely paid for; and the ladies to whom the parish is indebted for its existence, are making an effort to endow it (according to their original design) as an Asylum for destitute Female Orphans.

Within the last twelve months about *five hundred dollars* have been obtained for this purpose, and it is believed that the same amount will be contributed annually by the congregation, without any withdrawal of support from other benevolent institutions.

The Rev. Joseph Trapnell, Senr., whose services have been reluctantly surrendered by St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, is now permanently located in this place, and subjoins a brief report of his missionary labors.

J. PETERKIN, *Rector.*

The undersigned reports that since his resignation of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, he has been engaged in the performance of missionary duty, in All Saints' Parish, Frederick county. His labors are not without encouragement. At Hammond's school house, five miles from town, he finds an attentive congregation on every alternative Sunday; and occasional services are held at other points, wherever a prospect of usefulness is held out. During Lent he officiated several times for the rector of the parish, and has also assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion.—*Four Baptisms and one funeral* are included in the report of the Rev. Mr. Peterkin.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, Senr., *Missionary.*

*Frederick city, May 26th, 1845.*

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*St. Mark's Parish, Frederick county.*

Baptisms—infants,	29
Communicants—added 4—present number,	80
Marriages,	3
Funerals,	17

The parish church is about to be improved by the addition of a convenient vestry room.

The chapel in Pleasant Valley, Washington county, belonging to this parish, and which has been in an unfinished state for some years, will soon be completed, and in part by the aid of friends in Georgetown, D. C.,—the debt will soon be liquidated.

There are in this parish opportunities for sacred religious education, not usual in the country. Besides the female boarding and day school at Barleywood, begun by the Rev. Mr. Phillips, and at present under the management of Mrs. Eleanor Johnson, assisted by excellent teachers, there is in operation a good boy's school, under a well recommended and qualified gentleman, a communicant of the Church. Connected with the latter, there is just opened a boarding establishment for pupils, which will be under excellent management. For the present, the number of boarders must be quite limited, but should the school be encouraged, as it is confidently expected it will, the accommodations can easily be increased. Both these schools are at a convenient distance from the parish church, and the pupils are considered as under the pastoral care of the rector. There is thus afforded to persons at a distance an opportunity of educating their children under promising circumstances, in a healthy neighborhood, and with great economy.



Any information in regard to these schools will be readily communicated by the subscriber, if addressed (postage paid,) Petersville, Frederick county.

JOHN T. HOFF.

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*St. Paul's Parish, Frederick county.*

Baptisms—infants, . . . . .	10
Communicants—last reported —;—added 1.	
Marriages, . . . . .	2
Funerals, . . . . .	6
Sunday School—scholars 30—teachers 6, . . . . .	36
Contributions to missions, . . . . .	\$14 95

This infant congregation has greatly increased. It possesses well furnished parish and sunday school libraries.

R. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

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*Zion Parish, Frederick county.*

Baptisms—infants, . . . . .	7
Communicants—last reported 28—added 1—present number, . . . . .	29
Marriages, . . . . .	5
Funerals, . . . . .	4
Contributions to Missions, . . . . .	\$50 00

R. H. PHILLIPS, *Rector.*

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*Chester Parish, Kent county.*

Baptisms, . . . . .	5
Communicants, . . . . .	55
Marriages, . . . . .	2
Funerals, . . . . .	8
Sunday School teachers, . . . . .	11
“ scholars about . . . . .	75
“ catechumens about . . . . .	50

Improvements have been effected in our church and its furniture to the value of about . . . . . \$1250 00

Missions—Foreign and domestic upwards of	\$93 00
Alms to the poor, about	60 00
Bible Society,	24 75
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	\$1,427 75

**CLEMENT F. JONES, Rector.**

*Chestertown, Md.*

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*St. Paul's Parish, Kent county.*

Baptisms,	8
Communicants—removed 5—died 2—added 2—present number,	31
Marriages,	3
Funerals,	5
Sunday School children about	25
“ teachers,	4
Collections for church purposes about	\$35 00

**THOMAS B. FLOWER, Rector.**

*Chestertown, Kent county, May 28, 1844.*

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*Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county.*

Baptisms—adult, colored 1, infants, white 7, colored 3,	11
Communicants—last reported 49—added 9—died 3—removed 7—present number,	48
Marriages—white 2, colored 2,	4
Funerals—white,	6

A part of the chapel debt has been paid ; the ladies of the same have endeavored, with praise-worthy zeal, to establish a Sunday School ; a very laudable undertaking, when the instruction given accords with the doctrines of the Bible, as they are explained and inculcated in the book of Common Prayer.

**JOHN OWEN, Rector.**

*Georgetown Roads, May, 1845.*

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*Prince George's Parish, Montgomery county.*

Baptisms—infants,	22
Confirmation,	1
Marriage,	1

Funerals, . . . . .	4
Public services, . . . . .	99
Contributions to the Episcopal fund, . . . . .	\$27 42

The rector entered on the duties of this parish on the 1st of June, 1844, having been elected to the same during the previous month. The year has been one of prosperous advancement, both as respects the spiritual and temporal affairs of the congregation. An indication of *both*, is given by a renovation which they have made of the interior of the building—a more convenient vestry room, a new fence round the Church yard, the purchase of a Sunday School library, and other evidences of activity. The Church, in her distinctive character, her ordinary offices, her solemn feast and fast days, and especially in her Eucharistic commemorative sacrifice, is increasingly loved and upheld. With scanty means, the members of this parish, of 126 years standing, make greater pecuniary sacrifices than many of better ability.

EDWARD WAYLEN, *Rector*.

*St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county.*

Baptisms—white 7, colored 12, - - - - -	19
Communicants—died 2—removed 3—added 3—present number, - - - - -	50
Marriages—white, 2, colored, 1, - - - - -	3
Funerals—white 8, colored 2, - - - - -	10
Sunday collections for missionary purposes, &c. . . . .	\$51 43

The present rector reports, that he entered upon this parochial charge on the 1st of June in last year, until within six or eight months of which time the parish had been connected with the adjoining parish of Prince George, one rector having the charge of both. We have reason to believe that the cause of CHRIST and his Church is progressing in our midst. The parish has been called to mourn over the death and removal of several of its most valuable and worthy members. Our prayer is, that God will raise up others to take their places. Some efficient measures, promising ultimate success, have been taken to secure a neat and eligible property for a parsonage.

In the southern section of this Parish a new Church has been organized as a separate congregation, under the name of St. John's Church, Montgomery county. A very excellent and commodious church with galleries, 26 by 40, exclusive of the vestry room, has been erected, and being *all paid for*, is now ready for consecration. We bless God for the very commendable zeal which

has thus been so substantially evinced by the valuable members and friends of the Church in that vicinity. The vestry make application to this Convention for admission into union with the Church, are represented by their lay delegate, and have elected the undersigned as rector. The prospects of the growth of the Church in this interesting field of labor, are flattering.

ORLANDO HUTTON, *Rector.*

*Post Office, Brooksville, Montgomery county.*

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*St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county.*

Baptisms—white 15, colored 13,	-	-	-	-	28
Marriages—white 3, colored 2,	-	-	-	-	5
Funeral,	-	-	-	-	1
Communicants—last reported 60—died 1—removed 3—present					
number,	-	-	-	-	56

This report is from May, 1844, up to February 1845, at which latter period I resigned the Parish.

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, *Sen.*

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*Parish of the Holy Trinity, Prince George county.*

On the 1st of January last I resigned the Parish of St. Andrew, Baltimore, and took charge of the Parish of the Holy Trinity, late a part of Queen Ann Parish, Prince George county. In this parish, there are about 42 families besides a few single persons residing in families not connected with the congregation. Of these, there are 41 communicants. The number of colored communicants is very small. I have no list of these, but I do not think there are more than 5 or 6. Unhappily, the most of the colored people within the limits of the parish, are under the influence of the erroneous and ruinous teachings of the Romish Church. A bible class for the special instruction of this too much neglected race has been recently formed, to which I devote the afternoon of each Sunday. This labor has been commenced with encouraging prospects of success, and it is with much and earnest solicitude that I would implore the Author of all good for the direction of His "most gracious favor," and the furtherance of His "continual help," that in its beginning, continuance, and end, it may tend to the glory of His most "holy name," and the salvation

of those, for whose good it is intended. That "favor" and "help" are my only hope of success, in this, and in every other branch of ministerial toil, and in this, especially, my only reward. Most happy, and greatly honored of the Lord shall I consider myself to be made the instrument of good to this, on many accounts interesting, portion of our fellow creatures.

I am sorry to be compelled to say that there is no Sunday school in the parish. I have understood that a successful effort was made a few years ago to form one, which promised well for a season; but when the rigors of winter came, the school was suspended, to be re-opened in the spring. Unfortunately for the zeal and piety of the more mature, and for the wholesome religious training of the now youthful portion of my charge, that spring has not yet come. The chill of winter still rests upon this nursery of the Church. I cannot but hope, however, that the long delayed spring, with its balmy breath, its genial sun and shower, will ere long open upon it, and cause the little plants which the hand of piety had planted there, to revive, and flourish as in days that are past.

At the solicitation of a few gentlemen of the parish, I have consented to undertake the general supervision of the education of their sons. This will afford an opportunity of impressing the youthful mind with those lessons of piety, so essential to an enlightened education, and to the development of a character in maturer life, at once, an ornament and a blessing to society. The course of instruction will be that of the highest grade of preparatory school, intended to fit the pupil to enter college. In this duty, I expect to be assisted by a graduate of Pennsylvania College, now a student of Divinity of this diocese. The number of pupils for the present is limited to sixteen; but it is hoped that it may prove the nucleus of a larger institution, whose benefits may be more widely extended, throughout this, and the adjoining counties.

Since I have had charge of the parish, I have administered the sacrament of Baptism to 1 white child, and 12 colored children,—buried 8 persons, and on one occasion celebrated the rites of marriage—Collections for missions \$50.

I cannot conclude this already too much extended report without recording with gratitude the many tokens of favor with which the beginning of my ministry in this parish has been marked, and the general unanimity and peace with which we have been thus far blessed. From the solemnity of the congregation in conducting the services of the sanctuary, and the favor with which the most unwelcome truths of the Gospel, set forth in the plainest and most pointed language, has been received, the rector cannot but indulge the hope,

that the word which had been so long and so faithfully dispensed by my excellent predecessor, will ere long be productive of "much fruit."

Baptisms—infant, white 1, colored 12,	-	-	-	13
Communicants—white 41, colored 6,	-	-	-	47
Marriage,	-	-	-	1
Burials,	-	-	-	6
Missions,	-	-	-	\$50

H. S. KEPPLER.

*Good Luck P. O.*

*Queen Ann Parish, Prince George county.*

It is peculiarly gratifying to the rector, that he is able to report to the present Convention the favorable operation of that act, passed at the last meeting of this body, in favor of forming two parishes out of his large one, over which he has had the pastoral care for the 14 years past. The lines having been drawn designating the boundaries of the two parishes, under their respective names, "*Queen Ann Parish*," and "*Parish of the Holy Trinity*," the subscriber reports to the Convention, that he continues in the rectorship of the former one, which still sustains the name of *Queen Ann Parish*: and he is pleased to say, that his worthy brother, the Rev. Mr. Keppler, has accepted an invitation to take the charge of the new parish. The rector is fully satisfied that this new organization will greatly contribute to the spiritual interests of the people generally throughout the two parishes thus created, as it will furnish to them more frequent occasions of public worship and opportunities of religious instruction; as to the ability of supporting two ministers within the same territory and Episcopal population, there is no doubt upon the subject. The division went into operation on the first of January last. Since which time, the rector has performed the following duties.

Baptisms—white 19, colored 21,	-	-	-	40
Communicants 50, added 2, present number,	-	-	-	52
Marriages—white 3, colored 3,	-	-	-	6
Deaths—white 8, colored 4,	-	-	-	12
Contributions for Missions and other religious objects,	-	-	-	\$113 00
Instalments on the Bishop's permanent fund,	-	-	-	60 66
Special collection for Bishop,	-	-	-	5 00
Collection in behalf of superannuated and disabled clergymen,	-	-	-	10 00
				<hr/> \$188 66

GEORGE L. MACKENHEIMER, *Rector.*

*Marlborough Post Office.*

*St. John's Parish, Prince George county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 24, colored 13,	-	-	-	-	-	37
Confirmations,	-	-	-	-	-	8
Communicants—added 8—removed 2—died 1—present number,						82
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	-	5
Marriages—white 7, colored 2,	-	-	-	-	-	9
No. of families, about	-	-	-	-	-	60
Collected for Missions,	-	-	-	-	-	\$8 50
Prayer Book and Homily Society,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Easter Collection,	-	-	-	-	-	1 50
Bishop's Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Convention Fund,	-	-	-	-	-	17 00
For Church in Carroll county,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
						<hr/> \$43 00

The present rector commenced his duties in July last, and is laboring with an encouraging prospect of success.

He continues the services commenced by his predecessor, at Calvert's Manor, where there is a large, poor, and destitute population. He also officiates much at the Poor House.

By the liberality of an individual of the parish, the interior of St. Barnabas' Church is about to be considerably improved, by the erection of a more suitable chancel and pulpit.

JOHN MARTIN, *Rector.*

*St. Matthew's Parish, Prince George county.*

Baptisms—white 9, colored 14,	-	-	-	-	23
Communicants—died 4—removed 2—added by removal 7—					
added from the congregation 4—present number,					40
Marriages—white 1, colored 4,	-	-	-	-	5
Funerals—white,	-	-	-	-	8

*Zion Parish, Prince George county.*

Baptisms—white 3, colored 1,	-	-	-	-	4
Communicants—died 1—added by removal 1—removed 4—					
present number,	-	-	-	-	29
Funerals—white,	-	-	-	-	4

Missionary offerings, - - - - -	\$104 50
Communicants' contributions for the Bishop, - - - - -	19 50
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	\$114 00

WILLIAM PINKNEY.

*St. Paul's Parish, Prince George county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 21, colored 22, - - -	43
Communicants—last reported 139—died 6—removed 8—added 8—present number, - - - - -	133
Burials—white 13, colored 4, - - - - -	17
Marriages—white 4, colored 2, - - - - -	6

The weekly offerings of the past year have amounted to about fifty dollars, thirty-four dollars of which have been appropriated to missions.

SAMUEL C. KERR.

*Nottingham Post Office.*

*Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro', Prince George county.*

The undersigned resigned the rectorship of this Church on the 1st of December last, consequently the following report exhibits the statistics of this congregation from the 1st of June up to the 1st of December, 1844.

Baptisms—white 16, colored 21, - - - - -	37
Communicants—last reported, white 73, colored about 20—93 —died 2—leaving the number on the record on the 1st of December last, - - - - -	91
Funerals—white, adults 3, infant 1; colored, adult 1, infants 2, -	7

Account of monies contributed for charitable and religious purposes, viz :

Weekly collections, variously appropriated, - - - - -	\$73 97
In aid of the late rector of Christ Church Parish, Kent Island, -	10 00
To the Education Society of the diocese of Virginia, by a pious and generous parishioner, - - - - -	100 00
Proceeds of a Fair by the energetic and benevolent ladies of the con- gregation, to be applied towards the erection of a new church edifice, - - - - -	500 00
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	\$683 97

May the blessing of the Great Head of the Church ever attend this portion of the vineyard of the LORD, and whilst they are so abundantly blessed in their



basket and in their store, may they also be filled with all spiritual blessings in CHRIST JESUS!

JOSEPH TRAPNELL, Jr. *late Rector.*

*Baltimore, May 27th, 1845.*

*Trinity Church, Upper Marlboro', Prince George county.*

*(From 15th January, 1845.)*

Baptisms—white 14, colored 17, - - - -	31 .
Communicants—last reported 93—added 11—died 1—removed '2—deducting for errors in last year's report 5—present num- ber, - - - -	96
Marriages—white 1, colored 2, - - - -	3
Funerals—white 5, colored 6, - - - -	11
Sunday School teachers, - - - -	11
“ scholars, - - - -	60
Catechetical class, - - - -	30
Families belonging to congregation, - - - -	70
Individuals, without families, about - - - -	50
Monthly offerings, - - - -	\$75 00
Special collection for Bishop's salary, - - - -	6 50
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The undersigned entered upon his duties, as rector of this church, the middle of last January. He has tried to make out as accurate a report as possible, but is sure that it must be imperfect, from the fact that having found no parish register, he was obliged to rely entirely upon himself.

C. K. NELSON, *Rector.*

*St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties.*

Baptisms—white 11, colored 34, - - - -	45
Confirmed, - - - -	9
Communicants—white 72, colored 12, - - - -	84
Marriages—white 3, colored 4, - - - -	7
Funerals—white 8, colored 15, - - - -	23
Contributed—to Missions, - - - -	\$67 00
“ to building a church edifice in Carroll county, - - - -	42 75

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Contributed—to the Episcopate from communicants,	-	-	10 90
“ to Prayer Book, Homily, and Tract Society,	-	-	4 00
			<hr/> \$144 65

ALEXANDER M. MARBURY, *Rector.*

## *Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 1, colored 3,	.	.	.	4
Communicants—removed since December, 1844, 1—present				
number,	.	.	.	7
Marriages—white 3, colored 2,	.	.	.	5
Contributions for various diocesan funds,	.	.	.	\$12 50

By permission of the bishop of the diocese, I took the charge of this parish on the first Sunday in Advent, A. D. 1844, and have since accepted the rectorship.

WILLIAM WALSH, *Rector.*

P. O., *Broad Creek.*

## *St. Luke's Parish, Queen Anne county.*

This parish was committed to my care in April last. Since that time three infants have been baptised by me.

S. R. GORDON, *Rector.*

*Church Hill, May 26, 1845.*

## *St. Paul's Parish, Queen Anne county.*

Baptisms—white 9, colored 27,	-	-	-	-	36
Communicants,	-	.	-	-	60
Marriages—white 1, colored 31,	-	-	-	-	32
Funerals,	-	-	-	-	5

The rector believes this parish is improving. There has been an increased attendance upon the services of the sanctuary during the past year, which is truly encouraging. We are also not without pleasing evidence of God's gracious presence amongst us.

There has been presented recently to the parish, by a family connected with it, a valuable theological library of about 600 vols. to be for the use, and under the care of the rector.

It is also proper to state, that during the present summer, the vestry contemplate making an addition of two rooms to the parsonage for the greater comfort of the minister,—part of the funds for this purpose is now in hand, the remainder, it is believed, will not be difficult to procure.

HENRY BROWN, *Rector.*

*Centreville, May 27, 1845.*

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*King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 2, colored 15,	-	-	-	17
Communicants—last reported 57—died 1—dismissed 3—				
added 7—present number,	-	-	-	60
Marriages—white 2, colored 4,	-	-	-	6
Funerals—white 2, colored 7,	-	-	-	9
Alms,	-	-	-	\$21 32
Viz: To objects of charity in the parish,	-	-	-	4 15
To the fund for superannuated and infirm clergymen,	-	-	-	3 71
To Missions,	-	-	-	13 46

This parish was vacant from the first of June, 1844, to the 27th of October, when the present rector commenced his ministry in it, and consequently the above must not be considered as a report of the whole year.

JOHN H. CHEW, *Minister.*

*Chaptico Post Office.*

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*St. Andrew's Parish, St. Mary's county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 13, colored 15,	-	-	-	28
Communicants—died 2—added 6—present number,	-	-	-	73
Marriages—white 4, colored 5,	-	-	-	9
Funerals—white 8, colored 9,	-	-	-	17
Amount collected on Easter Sunday in behalf of a fund to be established in the diocese for the benefit of disabled and superannuated clergymen,	-	-	-	\$15 00
Amount collected at the offertory in answer to a special appeal by the Board for Domestic Missions in the Church,	-	-	-	10 00
Amount contributed by communicants to the bishop's salary,	-	-	-	14 20
Amount collected for the Episcopal fund,	-	-	-	4 75
“ “ Convention fund,	-	-	-	6 00

Amount expended on the Church edifice for painting the altar, desk, and chancel, - - - - -	\$16 50
Amount collected for Church purposes in and out of the parish, -	5 25
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The rector of St. Andrew's parish has much reason for devout thankfulness to the Great Head of the Church, for the present favorable aspects of his pastoral charge. He again reports a regular and devout attention on the part of his parishioners generally, to the services of the sanctuary; not only on the Lord's Day, but also on the days set apart by the Church for the due commemoration of her solemn seasons of festival and fast.

He has also reason to hope and believe, that a considerable number of them are not only growing in a steadily advancing conformity and attachment to apostolic order and practice externally, but are also internally progressing in grace and holiness.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. P. C. JOHNSON, *Rector.*

*Leonardtown, May 26th, 1845.*

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*William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county.*

Baptisms, - - - - -	39
Communicants, about - - - - -	120
Marriages, - - - - -	11
Funerals, - - - - -	9

S. GRANT CALLAHAN, *Rector.*

*P. O., Great Mills, May 29th, 1845.*

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*Somerset Parish, Somerset county.*

Baptisms—adults 2, infants 16, . . . . .	18
Communicants—died 2—removed 2—added 12—present number, . . . . .	97
Marriages, . . . . .	2
Funerals, . . . . .	8
Offerings for Western Missions, . . . . .	\$17 50
“ Superannuated clergymen, . . . . .	8 00

Communion alone, . . . . .	28 64
Sunday offerings, . . . . .	50 36
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	\$104 40

In the above, the rector would add, that he has a large class ready and desirous to be confirmed, and two old churches, which have been renewed, to be consecrated. Ignorance of the Church, however, and the influence of dissent, have led to the estrangement of a small number of attendants on the service; still he is happy and thankful to be able to report, that the march of the Church has been, and continues to be, onward, and that God has blessed and is blessing us with more than wonted harmony and love for Christ and His Church.

HARVEY STANLEY.

*Princeton June, May 24th, 1845.*

*Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county.*

Baptisms—adult 1, infants, white 17, colored 4, . . . . .	22
Communicants—last reported 144—added 3—removed 3—died	
6—present number, . . . . .	138
Marriages—white 2, colored 3, . . . . .	5
Funerals, . . . . .	6
Benevolent contributions, . . . . .	\$50 00

K. J. STEWART, *late Rector.*

*May, 1845.*

The undersigned, under the direction of the bishop, officiated as missionary in this parish, from June, 1844, to the 1st of January, 1845,—during which time he performed the following services:—He officiated every other Sunday, at Quantico;—for three months, during the rector's absence from the parish, every other Sunday at Spring Hill—twice at Salisbury, and once at St. Mary's Chapel, Tyaskin.

Baptisms—white 10, colored 15, . . . . .	25
Marriages—colored, . . . . .	2
Funerals—white, . . . . .	10
Catechumens, . . . . .	20

Bible class every Friday after evening service.

The chapel in Quantico, reported last year as commenced, is ready for consecration.

MEYER LEWIN, *Deacon*.

*Stepney Parish, Somerset county.*

The rector, with the consent of the bishop, took charge of this parish the beginning of the present year,—from which time he has performed the following services :

Baptisms—white 7, colored 2,	9
Marriages—white 2, colored 2,	4
Funerals—white 4, colored 1,	5
Communicants—removed 3—died 3—added 4—present number,	19
Catechumens,	18

Green Hill Church is yet in a very dilapidated condition.

Catechetical instruction every other Sunday after evening prayers.

Divine service at St. Mary's every Sunday, as well as on the major festivals and fasts of the Church—at Green Hill Church every other Sunday.

MEYER LEWIN, *Rector*.

*Grace Church, Somerset county.*

This is a newly organised congregation, about to apply for admission into union with the Convention. The present rector, with the approbation of the bishop, took charge of Grace Church the beginning of the present year, and has officiated every other Sunday. The number of communicants not precisely ascertained, but supposed to be about 20.

MEYER LEWIN, *Deacon*.

*Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties.*

Baptisms—adults, white 7; infants, white 23, colored 14,	44
Marriages—white 1, colored 2,	3

Funerals,	6
Communicants,	68
Sunday offerings,	\$50 00

JOHN CROSDALE, *Rector.*

*Rehoboth, May, 1845.*

*St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county.*

Baptisms—white 4, colored 13,	17
Marriages—colored,	15
Funerals—white 5, colored 1,	6
Communicants,	37

Since the last report, 1 communicant has been added and 4 have removed.

JOSEPH SPENCER, *Rector.*

*St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county.*

Baptisms—infants,	26
Communicants—died 4—removed 1—added 11—present number,	114
Marriages,	9
Funerals,	13
Sunday School teachers,	10
“ scholars,	55

Contributions for Church purposes, not including Episcopal Fund, \$350 00

It has pleased the divine and gracious Head of the Church, to restore, in this parish during the past year, many pious souls to her bosom. The spirit of persecution which she hath so long felt, is becoming exchanged for the spirit of enquiry.

The noble granite structure lately erected in Easton, which does honor to the generous character of the parish, was, for the first time occupied, though not consecrated, on the holy festival of the Nativity. The old Church building has been so divided, as to be occupied in part by a female school, composed of of the church's children, and in part to be used for divine worship during the week, on which the children of that school, under the meritorious care of a communicant, give attendance.

The vestry have, as generously as wisely, made optional to the rector, the use of the building, for the Sunday services, which, he has it in contemplation, to open for the black population of the parish. And the divine promises which are general, we have reason to be assured, have, in a degree to confirm our faith, been specially performed to ourselves.

HENRY M. MASON, *Rector.*

*Easton, May 27, 1845.*

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*St. John's Parish, Washington county.*

Baptisms—adult 1, infants, white 15, colored 8,	24
Communicants—last reported 112—died 4—removed 4—added	
12—present number,	116
Marriages,	4
Funerals—white 9, colored 6,	15
Weekly offerings for Missions,	\$117 77
Collection for disabled clergymen,	15 00
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	\$132 77

THEODORE B. LYMAN, *Rector.*

*Hagerstown, May 27th, 1845.*

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*St. Andrew's Church, Clear Spring, Washington county.*

Baptisms—adult, white 1; infants, white 1, colored 1,	3
Confirmations,	4
Communicants—last reported 15—added 2,	17
Marriage—colored,	1
Funeral,	1

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector.*

*May 28th, 1845.*

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*St. Thomas's Church, Hancock, Washington county.*

Baptisms—white, adults 4, infants 19,	23
Confirmed—white 25, colored 1,	26
Communicants—last reported 75—added 8—died 2—removed	
2—withdrawn 3—present number,	76



Marriages—white 2, colored 3,	5
Funerals—white,	6
Sunday Schools—teachers, male 6, female 6,	12
“ scholars, “ 40, “ 60,	100
Contributions—to Missions, &c.	\$40 00
“ to pay off church debt, upwards of	400 00

It is a source of devout thankfulness, that the rector of this congregation can report it as almost out of debt.

JAMES A. BUCK, *Rector*.

May 28th, 1845.

*All Hallows' Parish, Worcester county.*

Baptisms—infants—white 9, colored 5,	14
Funerals,	3
Marriages,	2
Communicants—last reported,	50
Families,	47
Individuals,	186
Contributions,	\$52 96½

The rector of this parish, in reporting to the bishop, is permitted to indulge the hope that the state of the congregation is every way encouraging. Attendance on public worship, and interest in religious duties and privileges are evidently on the increase. Services were held on Wednesdays and Fridays during the season of Lent, with manifest advantage. These services have been continued on Fridays. Various improvements are contemplated by the ladies of the parish in the church. Preliminary steps, too, have been taken for the erection of a chapel in the village of Newark, within the bounds of the parish. The rector feels it his duty to add, that a new church (St. Matthew's) is being erected in the upper section of this parish, chiefly through the instrumentality of that zealous and active missionary, the Rev. John Long of Delaware.

WM. HENRY REES, *Rector*.

Snowhill, May, 1845.

*Worcester Parish, Worcester county.*

Baptisms—infants, white 5, colored 3,	8
Funerals,	5

Marriage, . . . . .	1
Communicants—upon taking charge 51—added 2—removed 1 —died 4—present number, . . . . .	49
Families, . . . . .	46
Sunday School, about . . . . .	50
Contributions, . . . . .	\$26 80

This parish includes St. Paul's and St. Martin's Churches.—The latter, a venerable and substantial edifice, has recently undergone essential repairs. Its consecration will be asked at the next Episcopal visitation. The former (the parish church) has been also much improved and beautified by the ladies. A more promising field of usefulness, for a faithful, active, and enterprising clergyman, is no where to be found than in this parish. And the rector regrets, that although much of his time has been devoted to parochial visiting, and the ministry of the word, that so little comparatively has been done; and he is persuaded that such must continue to be the case, and that many of the advantages now presented for the increase and extension of the Church will be lost, without a resident minister, or so long as it is connected with another parish equally large and interesting, and requiring an equal share of their minister's attention.

The rector cannot conclude his report to the bishop, without testifying to the kindness, attention, and hospitality of his people in both parishes.

WM. HENRY REES, *Rector.*

*Snowhill, May, 1845.*

*St. John's Church, St. John's Parish, Worcester county.*

Baptisms—white 11, colored 13, . . . . .	24
Communicants—removed 1—died 2—present number, . . . . .	11
Marriages—white 12, colored 9, . . . . .	21
Funerals, . . . . .	8
Families, . . . . .	22
Sunday School teachers, . . . . .	5
“ scholars, . . . . .	35

The attendance on the services in the parish church is generally good. We have been much gratified in the attendance on the services for the colored people, every four weeks. We also have regular services at the poor house,

(near Snow Hill,) every four weeks, upon which not only the inmates, but also the inhabitants in the neighborhood, attend.

JOHN P. ROBINS, *Rector*.

*Snow Hill.*

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*St. James's Parish, Baltimore county.\**

Baptisms—children, white 2, colored 1, . . . . .	5
Communicants—added 2—died 3—stricken from the list 1—re-	
moved 3—present number, . . . . .	42
Marriages, . . . . .	8
Funerals, . . . . .	9

M. L. FORBES, *Rector*.

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*St. Matthew's Church, Worcester county.*

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland :—*

In the month of October, 1843, I was called to preach a funeral sermon, about four miles above Derickson's roads; since which time I have continued to preach, (with your permission and that of the rector of the parish,) in that neighborhood. I officiated in Taylor's school house, for about 8 months. In February, 1844, we organized a congregation, by the name of St. Matthew's Church, and resolved at once to erect a small church. In July of the same year, to my great joy, on Sunday the 21st, I preached in a house of our own, where I could feel that I was not an intruder. The building is of the plainest kind, but well suited to the congregation at present. We number from 70 to 80 regular attendants. I regret, very much, that I cannot bestow more labor; for I have an extensive charge in Delaware, having three churches, and they quite remote. If this congregation can have regular service, and be well supplied with prayer books and tracts, by the blessing of God, I doubt not, but that a large and interesting congregation will be collected.

Labor is not lost here. The people are anxious for the bread of life. But who is to minister to them? I almost faint at times, and feel that I must fall, for my charge is very extensive, and labors abundant. But I cannot remain inactive while so many are crying for bread and for the waters of salvation.

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\* Received too late to be inserted in its proper place.

I hope the bishop will be able to visit this little church in the swamp ; there will be one, if not more candidates for confirmation. The church is not yet finished, but needs plastering, upon which it will be ready for consecration, when the congregation will apply for admission and recognition as a member of the Episcopal Church in Maryland. I would humbly report :

Baptisms—children,	6
Funerals,	2
Public services—on Sundays 18, other days 12,	30

Praying God's blessing still to remain upon you and your charge,

I remain, Rt. Rev. Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

JOHN LONG.

Rt. Rev. BISHOP WHITTINGHAM.

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*Frederick county, May 24th, 1845.*

Rt. Rev. Sir :—

I am at present engaged as one of the teachers in the Frederick Academy.

Since I returned to Maryland I have preached occasionally in the various Parishes within the county—baptized three white and two colored infants—celebrated marriage thrice and assisted a few times in the administration of the Lord's Supper.

Your obedient servant,

THOMAS BARROW.

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*Hillsborough, Caroline county, May 24, 1845.*

Right Rev. and dear Sir :—

In laying before you a statement of proceedings during the past year, I am able to report but

Baptisms—white 4, colored 2,	6
Communicants,	6
Marriage, colored,	1
Contributions to the Diocesan Missionary Society,	\$5
“ to the Episcopal Fund,	5

My public duties have been conducted at Denton, as heretofore, with as much regularity as my feeble health would permit, and besides these an additional service has been opened here at Hillsborough, a little village on the Tuckahoe creek, where, since the commencement of the present year, my family and self have been located. By this arrangement the few scattering members of St. John's Parish, which is partly in Caroline, and partly in the counties of Talbot and Queen Anne's, have been re-collected into a congregation, and so have an opportunity afforded them of enjoying once a fortnight all the delightful privileges of the sanctuary, of which, hitherto they had been long deprived. Our place of holding public worship is the academy, which, in consequence of its being occupied by others for a similar purpose, is open to our use but once a fortnight only. We could wish it were oftener, but we must be content with this order of things for the present. The whole of number of members in this parish, adults and children, is seventeen, and, we hope when you shall have been able to perform among us the holy rite of Confirmation, our list of communicants will be somewhat increased.

As yet no vestry has been formed, but a delegate has been chosen to represent the parish in the approaching Convention, and the other matter we hope to accomplish early in the present summer. With respect to the establishment of a Sunday School, or the regular instruction of children in the catechism, in compliance with the requirement of the rubrick, no steps have, as yet been taken in this village. The existing state of things there putting them for the present beyond my reach.

At Denton, a more distant part of my charge, religious services are held, as usual, and the children are instructed in the catechism. The number of these, however, is at present small, though we hope before a great while to see it increased. Here a vestry has been organized, and a delegate chosen to represent the old and long slumbering parish of "St. Mary's White Chapel" in the Convention of the present year, and thus two important objects have been accomplished in the way of resuscitating a very depressed part of your diocese. The two parishes of St. Mary's White Chapel, and St. John's, Caroline county, which, hitherto have been thrown into one, as it were, from the small number of members to be found in both, may now withdraw themselves into their own proper limits, and stand upon their own foundations; and I hope will henceforth appear upon the journals, and afford increasing evidence of the revival and extension of the Church in a quarter where she has literally become almost extinct.

Such is a brief sketch of proceedings, which, but for much sickness and long periods of confinement during the last autumn and the succeeding winter would have been much enlarged, and which as constituting but a small amount of missionary duty for the year, will, I trust on these grounds be excused. In conclusion, then, I have only to say, that I think the prospect before us begins to brighten a little, and that through the grace and goodness of God some interest has been excited in behalf of our Zion, which once flourished so vigorously in this part of the Diocese of Maryland, and counted so many among her ranks. To accomplish the end which we have in view, the revival of a pure branch of the Church Catholic, and the diffusion of sound religion throughout these two long neglected parishes, nothing is wanting, as I am informed on every side, but houses of public worship. But these we have not, nor can we raise among ourselves an adequate amount of means to put us in possession of the same. Our only alternative, therefore, is to address an affectionate and earnest petition through you, to our brethren of the Diocese, and solicit from them in our necessities a helping hand. And if they will only aid us, provided they can do so consistently with their feelings and views in reference to the important subject where missionary funds are most fitly and properly to be applied, our decayed and dilapidated churches may soon be rebuilt; and under such circumstances the time we would hope is not far distant, when flourishing congregations may again be found, where now spiritual waste and desolation only meet the eye.

With great respect, I remain very truly and sincerely,

Yours in CHRIST,

ROBERT W. GOLDSBOROUGH.

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*Annapolis, May 26th, 1845.*

*Right Rev. and Dear Sir :*

The following are all the ministerial duties that I have performed during the past year :

Sermons preached, . . . . .	25
Services read, . . . . .	14
Baptisms administered—1 adult and 2 children, . . . . .	3

These were all occasional services, as I have no clerical connexion with any parish, and they were performed at the request of the rectors of different

churches. Be pleased to accept, Right Rev. and Dear Sir, this renewal of my highest respect and esteem.

HECTOR HUMPHREYS, *President St. John's College.*  
Rt. Rev. W. R. WHITTINGHAM.

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*Cumberland, May 21st, 1845.*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :*

I beg leave respectfully to state to you the services in which I have been engaged during the past year, which are as follows :

During the month of August last, I visited my old parishioners at Hancock, and, by invitation from the rector, preached in their church on Sunday morning. By previous invitation from the visitors at the Berkley Springs, I preached in the afternoon of the same day at that place.

Shortly after my return home, the Rev. Mr. Buel left his charge, on a visit to the North,—and during his absence, at the kind solicitation of the vestry of his church, I officiated on four consecutive Sabbaths in his stead.

Some time in November, Mr. Buel, being invited to attend an association at Hancock, requested me to take charge of his church on the Sabbath when he expected to be absent ; to which I consented, and preached for him morning and evening at the appointed time. About that time, I was requested by the minister of the Lutheran congregation in this place, to officiate in his church on a certain Sabbath, and having obtained the consent of the rector, the Rev. Mr. Buel, I preached in the Lutheran church on Sunday evening, fully complying with the requisitions of the canon in reference to our service.

Early in December, I was called on by the minister of the Episcopal Methodist congregation, and requested to preach to *his* congregation ; which I consented to do, and officiated on Sunday morning and evening. About the middle of that month, the minister of the Protestant Methodist congregation requested me to preach for *him*, and on the Sunday before Christmas I preached *twice*, and on Christmas day *once* in his church,—the service according to the canon having been duly read.

In the month of January I visited Annapolis, and availed myself of the courtesy of a kind invitation from the Rev. Mr. Van Deusen, the rector, and preached in his church on the afternoon of the Sabbath, having read prayers for him in the morning.

Some time in March, at the request of the Rev. Mr. Buel, (who wished to visit Baltimore,) I officiated for him in the morning of the Sabbath, and admin-

istered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to the communicants of his church, and in the afternoon read prayers.

Next Sunday, 25th inst., I expect to preach for the Rev. Mr. Kehler, at the Mount Savage Furnace.

During the past year, I have baptised two infants and attended one funeral

Yours respectfully,

L. H. JOHNS.

*To the Right Reverend, the Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland :*

The undersigned, in compliance with the canonical requisition, respectfully reports,—that he was enabled, by a very great improvement in his health, to return to his post in January last, and to resume most of his appointed duties.

During his absence from the College of St. James, he was able, in various ways, to direct its operations and promote its interests; and since his return, he has engaged in the general supervision and pastoral duties belonging to his office.

As the undersigned has made to the bishop the required annual report of the state of the institution, he need here only say, that by the Divine blessing on the regular services and instructions in the College, there is now, more than ever before, good promise of great spiritual improvement among its inmates.

Besides sharing in the duties of the chapel of the College, the undersigned baptised there one infant,—and during a visit to Ohio during the last Summer, he assisted twice in administering the holy communion, and baptised five infants. These baptisms were entered on the records of the parishes within whose limits they were performed.

Very respectfully,

JOHN B. KERFOOT,

*Rector, and Professor of the Evidences and Ethics of Christianity  
in the College of St. James, Washington county, Md.*

*Baltimore, May 28th, 1845.*

The subscriber reports himself as residing in Philadelphia; his health rendering him incapable, in the opinion of his physician, of regular ministerial duty. He has occasionally officiated during the past year.

CHARLES E. PLEASANTS.

*May 30th, 1845.*



*To the Rt. Rev. Bishop of Maryland :—*

The undersigned the vice-rector and chaplain of the College of St. James, in Washington county, in compliance with the canonical requisition, reports:— that he has regularly performed ministerial services in the chapel of the College, and has also been actively engaged in the religious instruction of the students. In addition to the above he has preached twelve times, and baptized two children in the Diocese,—preached twice in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and thirteen times in the Diocese of New York.

Very respectfully, &c.,

May 26, 1845.

REUBEN RILEY.

*To the Rt. Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, Bishop of Maryland :*

*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir :—*

I left Baltimore for the Port of Spain, Trinidad, with your permission and the necessary papers, on the 23d of November last. Not finding my business in a situation to be settled, so as to enable me to return immediately, I presented my papers to the venerable Archdeacon, the Rev. George Cumming, and the Rural Dean, the Rev. George Chamberlain. On consultation with the Bishop of Barbadoes, they found they were unable to receive me as an officiating minister, as he considered the law stringent in my case. Therefore, not being received by the Bishop here, I am yet under your jurisdiction, and report accordingly :

I assisted the Rev. J. N. McJilton at St. James's, (First African) Church, Baltimore, from the last Convention, May the 27th, up to the 17th of November, 1844, as follows :—assisted in the Sunday School—preached 14 times,—read service 9 times, and assisted in administering the Holy Communion four times.

Here, I have in a case of necessity administered private Baptism to one sick infant.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ELIE WORTHINGTON STOKES.

Port of Spain, March 19, 1845.

The undersigned respectfully reports to his Bishop, that since the last Convention he has continued to be employed as Professor of Languages in the

**College of St. James.** In the chapel of the College he has borne his share of the services, and has preached once almost every Sunday in town since. He has frequently also officiated in St. John's Parish Church, Hagerstown.

He has performed three infant baptisms, (one colored,) and buried four persons, (one colored.) He has united in Holy Matrimony one couple, (colored.) In the Diocese of New York he has performed one infant baptism, and officiated on a number of occasions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

**RUSSELL TREVETT, *Presbyter.***

*May 26, 1845.*

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The undersigned respectfully reports to the Right Reverend, the Bishop, that since his ordination to the Diaconate, on the second Sunday in Lent, (Feb. 16,) 1845, he has had, successively, the charge of St. John's Church, Huntingdon, and the two parishes of Holy Trinity, and the Ascension, Carroll county, in the absence of their respective rectors.

In the city he has occasionally assisted in the celebration of divine service at St. Paul's and at Mount Calvary, and has preached twice at St. Paul's, twice at Mount Calvary, once at St. Peter's, once at the Ascension, and once at St. James's.

In all, he has performed the following ministerial duties:—assisted twice in the administration of the Holy Communion; said the whole or part of the service forty-six times; preached thirty-one times. He has baptized three infants, and officiated at three funerals; all of which are reported by the several ministers, for whom he performed those offices.

**FRANCIS A. BAKER, *Deacon.***

*Baltimore, May 28, 1845.*

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*To the Rt. Rev. William R. Whittingham, D. D. Bishop of Maryland:*

During the past conventional year, the following are the services which the undersigned was permitted, D. A., to render in the Church.

On the Feast of St. Peter, addressed the students of the College of St. James, where I assisted, both in the chapel and in academical duties, until the second week in August.

On the eleventh, twelfth, and thirteenth Sundays after Trinity, catechised the children of St. Mary's Sunday School, Burlington; and officiated in the

evening of the twelfth Sunday after Trinity in St. Stephen's Church, Churchville, diocese of New Jersey.

September 4, read prayers in the Church of the Ascension, Philadelphia, diocese of Pennsylvania.

On the fourteenth Sunday after Trinity, assisted the bishop and rector of St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills.

September 10, attended the laying of the corner stone of Mount Calvary Church, Baltimore.

September 11, attended the laying of the corner stone of St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county, where I am still officiating as assistant minister.

On the twenty-fifth Sunday after Trinity, and second Sunday after Easter, officiated in Grace Church, Elk Ridge Landing ; fourth Sunday after Christmas, and Sexagesima Sunday, officiated in St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills.

I buried one child, and received into the congregation of CHRIST's flock, seven children of those Germans in the neighborhood, who have made application to be received into the Church of this diocese, and to form a German congregation under my pastoral care. May GOD bless the good intentions of these my countrymen, and give me grace to feed this new portion of His flock, to the glory of GOD and our eternal salvation through our LORD JESUS CHRIST. Amen.

ADOLPH FROST.

*St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county, May 27, 1845.*

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*College of St. James, May 26, 1845.*

*To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of Maryland :—*

The undersigned respectfully reports,—that since his ordination on Trinity Sunday, 1844, in addition to his duties as instructor in the College of St. James, he has assisted regularly in preaching and the celebration of divine service in the college Chapel. He has also officiated on several occasions in St. John's Church, Washington county, and other parishes in this Diocese, and four times in the Diocese of New Jersey. He has also performed the burial service on two occasions.

DWIGHT E. LYMAN, *Deacon.*

*Hagerstown, May 26, 1845.*

In compliance with the canons of the Church, the undersigned would respectfully report, that on the 1st of April, he relinquished the charge of the Female Seminary in this place, and accepted the situation of Principal of the Hagerstown Academy. He has occasionally officiated in Frederick and Washington counties, and baptized two children.

J. C. WHEAT.

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## APPENDIX B.

### *Report of the College of St. James.*

The undersigned, in compliance with the requisition of the Right Reverend, the bishop of the diocese, made in conformity with the seventh by-law of the College of St. James, Washington county, respectfully presents the following report of the state of the institution in all its departments.

Annexed are full lists of the faculty and instructors, and of all the students who have ever been connected with the institution. To the name of each officer is added the date of his first connexion with the College, and his department of instruction, and to the name of each student is added the date of his entrance, and if he has left, the time and character of his removal.

There is also annexed a report of the receipts and expenditures of the institution, from October, 1842, to March, 1845, and also a separate account of the same receipts and expenditures during a portion of this time, viz: for seven months, from 1st August, 1844, to 3d of March, 1845. To this statement of accounts is added a general inventory of personal property available for the uses of the College, and of the more marked and valuable improvements in the real estate of the College, so far as such property or improvements have been added since the opening of the institution, in October, 1842. It is believed that the College has now so far surmounted the financial difficulties always connected with a new enterprise of the kind, as to be fairly considered hereafter as self-supporting.

### RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND TEACHINGS.

The undersigned does not know how he can better report under these heads, than by expressing his belief that the remarks in our printed pamphlet, on "Religious Education," and "The Chapel," may be received as a correct report of the department now under review. The articles referred to are on

pages 19, 20, and 21 of pamphlet dated June, 1844. It should be here added, that the morning service of the Church constitutes our family worship on every Wednesday and Friday, and on every day in Lent.

The holy communion is administered on the second Sunday of every month, and on all the festivals for which "proper prefaces" are provided in the communion office.

The sermons in the chapel are of course prominent among the means of religious teaching. These are almost always specially prepared for the students, and suited to their capacities. Systematic instruction is thus given, either statedly, as the ecclesiastical season may suggest, or in regular courses of sermons on the offices and doctrines of the Church.

There are also on every Sunday two hours spent in the preparation and recitation of some sacred lesson. The students are divided into proper classes, and instructed either by the clergy or the candidates for orders connected with the College. The Holy Scriptures, the prayer book, and chiefly the catechism, with suitable explanations, and Church history, furnish the matter for study and instruction. In addition to this, it is designed soon to adopt catechetical examinations in the chapel, as a frequent substitute for the sermon at evening service.

It may be right to state under this head, that the instruction of the higher classes in the evidences and ethics of religion, is the special duty of the rector. In the study of the "Evidences," the aim is so to present the subject as to enable the *believing* student to understand and state the grounds on which he adheres to the faith which is his inalienable birth right, and to avoid the peril of his fancying himself a judge to try the truth of that which he should from the first regard it a sin even to doubt. In ethics, the only recognized basis and test of right and wrong, is always made the revealed will of God.

#### CLASSICAL AND SCIENTIFIC DEPARTMENT.

The list of teachers shews that every department of instruction is supplied; and, we trust, by competent men.

Every student ordinarily makes twenty-two recitations in class each week. Each lesson occupies two hours, one for preparation and one for recitation. The preparation is always made in the common study-halls, under the supervision of one of the instructors, and with such occasional assistance as may be needed. The classes recite in separate rooms.

To secure due vigor and industry both from teachers and pupils, as well as regular advancement in the prescribed course of studies, an examination of all

the classes is held before the Faculty, at the end of each month, on the required amount of work in that month.

Three of these examinations, at Christmas, Easter, and midsummer are upon the whole work of the preceding three months, and are conducted before the Trustees, and such visitors as may be appointed for the purpose by the Bishop. This system is now fully arranged, and in operation.

The following arrangement we also deem important.

The professor of each department is required to exercise a minute and constant supervision over all its details. He reviews every class, not under his own immediate instruction, once in every week, in the presence of its regular teacher. In this way the teacher is taught *how* to do his work, and all the teachers in each department to learn the *same method* in their work. Every boy is brought under the personal observation and examination of the professor, and commended or reproved, as he may merit. Each professor also portions out at the beginning of the month, the amount of work required of the teacher and his class, by the ensuing monthly examination, thus securing due advancement in the course of studies laid down. Again, each professor reports to the Rector statedly, or as occasion may require, the general state of the classes in his department, and also such individual cases, as may call for special attention and admonition from the rector. When to this are added the daily reports of delinquencies, and the public reading of the weekly reports of every boy, by the rector, the monthly reports to parents, and the monthly examination of all the classes before the Faculty; it will be seen that no means are left untried to secure diligence and success in study.

It also proposed to give at the end of each year, to all who merit them, testimonials of excellence in conduct and scholarship. The requisite degree of such merit, will be absolute, not comparative, and testimonials of the highest worth will be given to none, or to many, according to their attainments. There is not to be in this, or in any kind of excitement to duty, any appeal to the feelings of rivalry. The ladder is made wide enough, to allow as many as have the requisite zeal and ability to attain its highest steps, and to stand there together.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. KERFOOT,

*Rector of the College of St. James, Washington county, Md.*

*Monday in Whit Sunday week, May 12th, 1845.*

1844. May 31	To cash paid Rev. L. I. Gilliss, expenses of attending Standing Committee, . . .	\$5 00	1844. May 28	By balance received from R. Owen, Esq., former Treasurer, On Corporation 6 per cent. Stock, \$695 00 Cash, . . .	\$875 43
" 31	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Hawley, do. do.	7 80			
June 5	To cash paid J. Merriken, Sexton of St. Paul's Ch. do.	20 00			
" 5	do.	10 00			
" 14	To cash paid Rev. J. A. McKenney, expenses of attending Standing Committee, . . .	20 00	June 1	By cash from Jas. Carrell, Esq., Chairman of Committee on Contributions, . . .	346 96
July 30	To cash paid Jos. Robinson, bill of Printing, . . .	309 20	" 17	By cash from Contributions Mary Ann Parish, " St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, . . .	6 00
Nov. 3	" P. H. Greenleaf, Chairman of the Committee of Expenses of the General Convention, quota of expenses payable by this diocese, . . .	.	" 17		45 00
Sept. 19	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Hawley, expenses of attending Standing Committee. . .	102 50	1845. May 29	" Interest on \$1,000 6 per cent. City Stock, to this date, . . .	105 00
Dec. 1	To cash paid Rev. L. I. Gilliss, do. do.	6 25			
" 1	" Mr. Hawley, do. do.	10 00			
" 19	" " C. F. Jones, do. do.	5 00			
" 27	" do. do. do.	8 38			
1845. Jan'y 1	" " T. Atkinson, expenses of attending General Convention, . . .	15 62			
March 13	To cash paid Rev. L. I. Gilliss, expenses of attending Standing Committee, . . .	12 75			
April 9	To cash paid H. Colburn, for transcribing Journal, per resolution folio 73, . . .	10 00			
" 9	To cash paid for Postage and Stationery, . . .	50 00			
" 9	To cash paid Dobbin & Co. for advertising, . . .	5 41			
" 9	To cash paid Rev. Thos. Billop, expenses of attending Standing Committee, . . .	2 50			
	\$1,000 Certificate 6 p. ct. City St'k, cost \$695 00	2 50			
	Balance Cash in hand, . . .	776 28			
		\$1,378 39	1845. May 29	By Balance, . . .	\$1,378 39
					\$81 28

E. E. BALTIMORE, May 29th, 1845.

WM. GEO. KREBS, Treasurer.

*Statement of Receipts and Investments of the Permanent Fund of the Episcopate of the Diocese of Maryland since Convention of May, 1844, to 28<sup>th</sup> May, 1845, inclusive.*

1844.		Investments.	Receipts.
May 28	These amounts reported to Board of Trustees,	\$22,887 57	\$23,902 49
" 29	By cash from King and Queen, St. Mary's county, at Convention,		50 00
" 29	By cash from Rock Spring, Harford county, at Convention,		26 25
" 29	By cash from St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		12 00
" 29	By cash from Trinity Church, Georgetown, at Convention,		110 00
" 29	By cash from All Hallows', Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		5 00
" 29	By cash from Great Choptank, Dorchester county, at Convention,		47 50
" 29	By cash from St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, at Convention,		25 00
" 29	By cash from Somerset Parish, Somerset county, at Convention,		51 50
" 29	By cash from St. John's Parish, Washington county, at Convention,		56 74
" 29	By cash from Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties, at Convention,		65 00
" 29	By cash from St. Mark's and St. Matthew's, Prince George county, at Convention,		47 00
" 29	By cash from St. John's Church, Georgetown, at Convention,		20 00
" 29	By cash from St. John's Parish, Havre de Grace, at Convention,		2 00
" 30	By cash from All Hallows', Worcester county, at Convention,		31 10
" 30	By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,		17 00
" 30	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,		25 00
" 30	By cash from St. John's Church, Howard District, at Convention,		25 50
" 30	By cash from Christ Church, Georgetown, at Convention,		135 90
" 30	By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention,		1 77
" 30	By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,		55 00
	Amount carried forward,	\$22,887 57	\$24,711 75



		Investments.	Receipts.
1844.	Amount brought forward,	\$22,887 57	\$24,711 75
May 30	By cash from St. Anne's Church, Annapolis, at Convention,		20 00
" 30	By cash from William and Mary Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		11 00
" 30	By cash from Queen Anne's Parish, Prince George county, at Convention,		158 50
" 30	By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,		70 78
" 30	By cash from St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,		5 00
" 30	By cash from William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,		10 00
" 30	By cash from Durham Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		6 00.
" 31	By cash from Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention,		8 00
" 31	By cash from Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		25 00
" 31	By cash from Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, at Convention,		2 00
" 31	By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		8 00
" 31	By cash from Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county, at Convention,		10 00
" 31	By cash from Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		40 00
June 3	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George county,		50 00
" 30	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore.		200 00
" 30	By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,		5 00
July 10	By cash from All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county,		10 00
" 18	To cash paid for Certificate of debt of Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds, No. 931, dated 18 July, 1844, bearing interest from 1 July, 1844, purchased of D. I. Cohen, Esq., at \$105 for \$100, \$2500 is	2,625 00	
" 31	By cash from St. Bartholomew Parish, Montgomery county,		20 00
Aug. 21	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,		5 00
" 23	By cash from King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county,		50 00
" 31	By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick,		93 96
Sept. 4	By cash from Christ Church, Harford county,		10 00
Amount carried forward,		\$25,512 57	\$25,529 99

		Investments.	Receipts.
1844.	Amount brought forward,	\$25,512 57	\$25,529 99
Sept. 14	By cash from Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge,	.	29 50
" 18	By cash from Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties,		10 00
Oct. 9	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,		10 00
" 29	By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county,		10 00
Nov. 6	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George county,		18 00
" 23	By cash from Queen Anne Parish, Prince George county,		18 50
Dec. 7 1845.	By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick,		36 39
Jan. 22	By cash from St. Matthew's and St. Mark's, Prince George county,		31 10
March 19	By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county,		5 00
" 31	By cash from St. Peter's Church, Balto.,		40 00
May 4	By cash from King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county,		30 00
" 4	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,		125 00
" 19	By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,		6 00
		\$25,512 57	\$25,899 48

JACOB ALBERT, *Treasurer.*BALTIMORE, *May 28, 1845.*

*Statement of Receipts and Disbursements of the Temporary or Interest Fund for the support of the Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland, from Convention of May, 1844, to 27th May, 1845, inclusive.*

1844.		Disbursements.	Receipts.
May 28	These amounts reported to Board of Trustees,	\$8,270 00	\$8,838 99
" 29	By cash of Rev. R. W. Goldsborough, as donation,		5 00
" 29	By cash from communicants of Christ Church, Calvert county, at Convention,		12 25
" 29	By cash from communicants of St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		13 00
" 29	By cash from communicants of Trinity Church, Prince George county, at Convention,		10 75
" 29	By cash from communicants of All Hallows,' Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		13 62
" 29	By cash from communicants of St. Andrew's Church, St. Mary's county, at Convention,		11 70
" 29	By cash from communicants of Rock Creek, District of Columbia, at Convention,		23 00
" 29	By cash from communicants of St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, at Convention,		8 50
" 29	By cash from communicants of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties, at Convention,		10 50
" 29	By cash from communicants of St. Mark's and St. Matthew's, Prince George county, at Convention,		10 50
" 30	By cash from communicants of Trinity Church, Washington city, at Convention,		40 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. John's Parish, Washington county, at Convention,		20 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county, at Convention,		29 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Christ Church, Washington city, at Convention,		20 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,		11 50
	Amount carried forward,	\$8,270 00	\$9,127 90

		Disbursements.	Receipts.
1844.	Amount brought forward,	\$8,270 00	\$9,127 80
May 30	By cash from communicants of St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,		7 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Dorchester Parish, Dorchester county, at Convention,		9 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. Thomas's Church, Baltimore county, at Convention,		6 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Trinity Church, Elkton, Maryland, at Convention,		8 50
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. John's Church, Washington, at Convention,		30 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention,		3 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. John's Parish, Havre-de-Grace, at Convention,		15 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Severn Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		17 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, at Convention,		18 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,		4 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Christ Church Parish, Queen Anne's county, at Convention,		2 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Ascension Parish, Carroll county, at Convention,		4 00
" 30	By cash from communicants of Holy Trinity Parish, Carroll and Baltimore counties, at Convention,		4 62
" 31	By cash from communicants of St. Thomas's Parish, Hancock, at Convention,		25 00
" 31	By cash from communicants of Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention,		7 00
" 31	By cash from communicants of St. Andrew's Church, Baltimore, at Convention,		40 00
" 31	By cash from communicants of Queen Ann Parish, Prince George county, at Convention,		16 43
" 31	By cash from communicants of St. John's Parish, Havre-de-Grace, at Convention,		9 92
	Amount carried forward,		
		\$8,270 00	\$9,353 77

		Disbursements.	Receipts.
1844.	Amount brought forward,	\$8,270 00	\$9,353 77
May 31	By cash from communicants of Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, at Convention,		6 00
" 29	By cash from King and Queen, St. Mary's county, at Convention,		26 64
" 29	By cash from Rock Spring, Harford county, at Convention,		15 30
" 29	By cash from St. James's Parish, Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		61 91
" 29	By cash from Trinity Church, Prince George county, at Convention,		15 98
" 29	By cash from All Hallows' Anne Arundel county, at Convention,		2 40
" 29	By cash from Great Choptank, Dorchester county, at Convention,		19 95
" 29	By cash from St. John's Parish, Baltimore and Harford counties, at Convention,		9 00
" 29	By cash from Somerset Parish, Somerset county, at Convention,		17 31
" 29	By cash from St. John's Parish, Washington county, at Convention,		37 26
" 29	By cash from Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Prince George and Charles counties, at Convention,		25 50
" 29	By cash from St. Mark's and St. Matthew's, Prince George co., at Convention,		40 75
" 29	By cash from St. John's Church, Georgetown, at Convention,		2 70
" 30	By cash from All Hallows,' Worcester county, at Convention,		18 90
" 30	By cash from St. John's Parish, Washington county, at Convention,		16 20
" 30	By cash from St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,		15 54
" 30	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,		6 00
" 30	By cash from St. John's Church, Howard District, at Convention,		11 16
" 33	By cash from Trinity Church, Elkton, at Convention,		2 12
" 30	By cash from Christ Church, Georgetown, at Convention,		19 24
" 30	By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Montgomery county, at Convention,		17 41
" 30	By cash from St. Peter's Parish, Talbot county, at Convention,		40 50
" 30	By cash from St. Anne's Church, Annapolis, at Convention,		8 40
	Amount carried forward,	\$8,270 00	\$9,789 94

		Disbursements	Receipts
1844.	Amount brought forward,	8,270 00	\$9,789 94
May 30	By cash from William and Mary Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		4 62
" 30	By cash from Queen Anne Parish, Prince George county, at Convention,		50 57
" 30	By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, at Convention,		31 45
" 30	By cash from Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, at Convention,		12 00
" 30	By cash from St. Stephen's Parish, Cecil county, at Convention,		1 00
" 30	By cash from William and Mary Parish, St. Mary's county, at Convention,		4 80
" 30	By cash from Durham Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		3 52
" 30	By cash from Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties, at Convention,		2 40
" 31	By cash from Port Tobacco Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		5 70
" 31	By cash from Sherwood Chapel, Baltimore county, at Convention,		84
" 31	By cash from Trinity Parish, Charles county, at Convention,		9 72
" 30	By cash from Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, at Convention,		12 50
June 4	By cash from dividend of \$8 per share, on 100 shares of Citizens' Bank stock, paid out of the capital of the Bank,		
" 8	To cash paid one counterfeit \$10 note, Farmers' Bank of Virginia, received at Convention,	10 00	300 00
" 17	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham, for one quarter's salary, in advance, from 17 June, 1844,	750 00	
" 3	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George county,		17 05
" 20	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore,		36 00
" 20	By cash from Christ Church Parish, Calvert county,		60
" 20	By cash from Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, from communicants,		19 00
July 6	By cash from 3 months interest on \$15,886 08, Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds, due 1st July,		236 29
" 10	By cash from All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county,		1 25
" 15	To cash paid Knight & Colburn for circulars for Episcopal Fund,	7 75	
Amount carried forward,		\$9,037 75	\$10,535 25

		Disbursements.	Receipts.
1844.	Amount brought forward,	\$9,037 75	\$10,535 25
July 29	By cash for dividend of 2½ per cent. on \$75, per share of 7 shares, Union Bank Stock,		13 12
" 31	By cash from St. Bartholomew's Parish, Montgomery county,		1 40
Aug. 21	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Balto.,		31
" 23	By cash from King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county,		12 00
" 27	By cash from 3 months interest on loan of \$6,105 98, to R. W. Bowie, Esq.,		91 59
" 31	By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick,		40 03
Sept. 4	By cash from Christ Church, Harford county,		1 50
" 14	By cash from Great Choptank Parish, Cambridge,		12 39
" 18	By cash from Coventry Parish, Somerset and Worcester counties,		2 04
" 23	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham, for one quarter's salary, in advance, from 17 September, 1844,	750 00	
Oct. 1	By cash for 3 months interest on \$18,386 08, Baltimore and Ohio Rail Road Bonds,		275 79
" 9	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Balto.,		30
Nov. 6	By cash from St. Paul's Parish, Prince George,		2 10
" 23	By cash from Queen Ann Parish, Prince George,		7 21
" 27	By cash from 3 months interest on loan of \$6,105 98, to R. W. Bowie, Esq.,		91 59
Dec. 7	By cash from All Saints' Church, Frederick,		14 96
" 26	By cash from F. Kreig, for 12 months ground rent, to 1 July, 1844,		16 00
1845.			
Jan. 2	By cash for 3 months interest on \$18,386 08, Rail Road Bonds, due 1 January, 1845,		275 79
" 13	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham for one quarter's salary, in advance, from 17 December, 1844,	750 00	
" 22	By cash from St. Matthew's and St. Mark's, Prince George county,		3 92
Feb. 29	By cash for 3 months interest on loan of \$6,105 98, to R. W. Bowie, Esq.,		91 59
March 19	To cash paid Bishop Whittingham, for one quarter's salary, in advance, from 17 March, 1845,	750 00	
	Amount carried forward,		
		\$11,287 75	\$11,498 88

		Disbursements.	Receipts.
1845.	Amount brought forward,	\$11,287 75	\$11,488 88
March 19	By cash for dividend 3rd of \$1 50, on 100 shares, Citizen's Bank Stock, paid out of the capital of the Bank,		150 00
" 19	By cash from All Saints' Parish, Calvert county,		5 00
" 31	By cash from St. Peter's Church, Balto.,		2 12
April 3	By cash for 3 months interest on \$18,386 08, Baltimore & Ohio Rail Road Bonds, due 1 April,		275 79
May 4	By cash from King and Queen Parish, St. Mary's county,		9 00
" 4	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Balto.,		15 06
" 19	By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore,		72
" 27	By cash from Shrewsbury Parish, Kent county, from communicants,		24 50
" 27	By cash from St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, from communicants,		189 00
" 27	By cash from Christ Church, Baltimore from communicants,		64 88
" 27	By cash from St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, from communicants,		158 00
		\$11,287 75	\$12,382 95

JACOB ALBERT, *Treasurer.*BALTIMORE, *May 28, 1845.*



*The Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Maryland, in  
account with C. C. JAMISON, Treasurer.*

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1844.		1844.		1845.		1845.	
May	29	To balance due,	\$66 77	May	29	From St. Matthew and St. Mark's Churches, Prince George county, from Dr. Hanson Penn, for Foreign Missions,	\$25 81
"	31	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Kehler, Mis- sionary, up to May 22d, 1844, per receipt,	100 00	"	"	For Domestic Missions, " Diocesan "	25 81
June	1	To cash paid Rev. N. M. Jones, per receipt,	5 00	"	30	From Miss H. E. Tilghman, (Palm Sunday collection,) for Diocesan Missions,	25 80
"	12	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Harris, Mis- sionary, in full up to 1st April, 1844,	50 00	"	30	From Emmanuel Parish, Allegany county, by Rev. S. Buel, (Palm Sunday,) for Foreign Missions, For Domestic Missions,	9 79
Sept.	10	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Harris, Mis- sionary, up to 1st July, 1844, per order,	5 00	"	"	" Diocesan "	9 79
"	30	To cash paid Rev. N. M. Jones, amount deposited by Rev. Dr. Wa- ters of Queen Caroline Parish, per receipt,	100 00	"	30	From Emmanuel Church, Allegany county, by Rev. S. Buel, for Dio- cesan Missions,	9 79
"	30	To cash paid sundry postages for past year,	10 00	"	31	From All Hallows' Church, Anne Arundel county, by Rev. W. F. Brand, (Palm Sunday,) for Foreign Missions,	6 23
Nov.	13	To cash paid Rev. G. F. Worthing- ton, appropriated for St. Timothy's Church, by Rev. Mr. Harrison,	1 75	"	"	For Domestic Missions, " Diocesan "	5 00
Dec.	18	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Harris up to 1st October, per order,	23 63	"	31	From St. John's Church, Washington, by Rev. Dr. Hawley, (Palm Sun- day,) Foreign Missions,	5 00
1845.	4	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Kehler up to 31d August, per order,	100 00	"	"	For Domestic Missions, " Diocesan "	5 00
Jan.	4	To cash paid Rev. Mr. Kehler up to 31d August, per order,	100 00	"	"	"	16 79
							16 79
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Jan. 14	To cash paid John Loney, Treasurer, per voucher,	554 46	May 31	From Christ Church, Washington Parish, by Rev. Mr. Bean, for For- eign Missions,	20 00	
May 28	To cash paid John Loney, Treasurer, per voucher,	95 27	"	For Domestic Missions,	20 00	40 00
			"	31 From St. John's, Havre de-Grace, by Rev. Mr. Billopp, (Palm Sunday,) for Foreign Missions,	4 67	
			"	For Domestic " "	4 67	14 00
			"	31 From Holy Trinity, Carroll and Bal- timore counties, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Diocesan Society,	4 66	
			"	31 From Ascension Parish, Carroll coun- ty, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Foreign Missions,		5 27
			"	31 From Lisbon, Howard District, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Diocesan Society,		5 10
June 1	From St. Andrew, Clear Spring, by Rev. James A. Buck, for Foreign Missions,				1 00	
	For Domestic Missions,				5 00	
	" Diocesan "				5 00	15 00
"	1 From St. John's Parish, Prince George county, by Rev. Mr. Van Dausen, for Domestic Committee,				5 00	
	For Foreign " "				7 00	
	" Diocesan "				4 00	15 00
"	1 From Dorchester Parish, by Mr. Sta- plefort, for Domestic Missions, For Foreign Missions,				4 00	
	" Diocesan "				2 30	
					2 30	6 90
					2 30	



June	5	From St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, for Domestic Missions,	30 00	60 00
"	5	For Foreign Missions, from Severn Church, Anne Arundel county, (Palm Sunday,) for Foreign Missions,	3 92	
"	5	For Domestic Missions, " Diocesan	3 92	11 76
"	5	From St. Paul's Parish, Prince George county, offerings of the year, for Foreign Missions, For Domestic Missions,	12 27	
"	6	" Diocesan on Eastern Shore, " From All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, by Rev. H. Williams, for Diocesan Missions,	12 27	36 81
July	22	From St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, for Diocesan Missions,	13 81	15 76
Aug.	1	For Domestic Missions, From Spring Hill Parish, Somerset county, by Rev. K. J. Stewart, for Domestic Missions,	7 00	20 81
"	9	For Foreign " From Christ Church, Queen Caroline Parish, by Rev. Mr. Waters, for use of Rev. Norris M. Jones, Anne Arundel county,	5 00	10 00
			5 00	10 00

By Bishop Whittingham.

1844.	Aug. 29	From Trinity Parish, (Carroll and Baltimore counties,) by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Diocesan Missions,	12 74
"	"	29 From Ascension Parish, Carroll county, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Foreign Missions to the Eastern Churches,	5 91
Oct.	1	From St. John's and Harford Parishes, Baltimore county, per R. S. Wilson, for Domestic Missions,	10 00
"	"	1 Interest on \$100 city six per cent. stock, to date,	1 50
"	16	From All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, by Rev. H. Williams, for Diocesan Missions,	10 00
Nov.	5	From St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, Quarterly contribution, for St. Timothy's Church, Baltimore county,	23 65
Dec.	2	From the Holy Trinity Parish, Carroll and Baltimore counties, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Domestic Missions,	10 00
"	"	2 From Ascension Church, Carroll county, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Domestic Missions,	10 00
"	"	5 From Christ Church, Mount Savage, by Rev. John Kehler, for Domestic Missions,	2 62
"	"	5 From All Saints' Parish, Calvert county, by Rev. H. Williams, for Diocesan Missions,	5 00

Dec.	16	From St. Thomas's Parish, Hancock, by Rev. Mr. Buck, for Domestic Missions,		8 33
		For Foreign Missions,		8 33
		" Diocesan "		8 34
"	19	From All Hallows' Parish, Anne Arundel county, by Rev. William F. Brandt, for Domestic Missions,		
"	19	From St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, for Domestic Missions,		
"	28	From St. Matthew's and St. Mark's Churches, Prince George county, by Hanson Penn, Sunday offerings for Western Bishops,		
1845.				
Jan.	2	From Emmanuel Parish, Cumberland, by Rev. S. Buel. Christmas offerings of Sunday School children, for Domestic Missions,	4 69	
		For Foreign Missions,	4 68	
		" Diocesan "	10 28	
"	8	Interest on \$100, Baltimore city, 6 per cent. stock, to 1 January,		
"	21	From St. John's Church, Ellicott's Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, Diocesan Missions,		
"	22	For Domestic Missions,	12 12	
		From St. Matthew's and St. Mark's Churches, Prince George county, from Rev. Mr. Pinkney, for Domestic Missions,	6 00	
				8 00
				25 00
				5 00
				12 00
				48 50
				19 65
				1 50
				18 12

		8 00	24 00
1845.			
Jan.	22 For Foreign Missions,	8 00	
"	" " Diocesan "	8 00	
"	27 From Episcopal Sunday School of Chester Parish, Chestertown, by Judge Eccleston,		
	For Mission at Cape Palmas, for sup- port of Clement F. Jones, an African boy,		
March	3 From Emmanuel Parish, Comberland, by Rev. Samuel Buel, for Diocesan Missions,		34 57
"	3 From Christ Church, Mount Savage, by Rev. Mr. Kehler, for Foreign Missions,		10 12
"	14 For Domestic Missions,	2 50	
	From Christ Church, Queen Caroline, Parish, Anne Arundel county, from Rev. Mr. Waters, for Diocesan Mis- sions,	2 50	5 00
"	20 From St. Michael's Parish, Talbot county, Diocesan Missions,		5 00
"	20 From Somerset Parish, Somerset county, Diocesan Missions,		25 00
"	20 From Christ Church, Chaptico, by Rev. John Claxton, for Dio- cesan Missions,		5 00
"	26 From Ascension Parish, Carroll coun- ty, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for Dio- cesan Missions,		5 00
"	26 From Holy Trinity, Carroll county, by Rev. D. H. Buel, for diocesan missions,		9 06
			6 73

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April	3	Interest on \$100, Baltimore city, 6 per cent. stock, to 1 April,				1 50
"	29	From St. John's Church, Elkton's Mills, by Rev. H. T. Harrison, for Diocesan Missions,				9 31
May	23	From Chester Parish, Chestertown, by Rev. C. F. Jones, for Mission to Constantinople,	13 78			
		For new chapel opposite Havre-de-Grace,	6 00			
		For Domestic missions in the West,	4 00			
		For Domestic Missions in Missouri and Iowa,	2 00			
		(To be disposed of by the Bishop according to the request of the Convention.)	8 92			
		For Domestic Missions in the state as above,	16 00			
		For Domestic Missions in the state as above,	5 94			54 04
"	27	From Christ Church, Mount Savage, by Rev. Mr. Kehler, for Domestic Missions,	1 59			3 18
"	28	For Foreign Missions, Queen Caroline Parish, Anne Arundel county, by Rev. Mr. Waters, for Diocesan Mission,	1 59			8 88
"	29	By balance due me,			112 07	
						<u>\$1,211 98</u>
To balance due me,						112 07
						<u>\$1,211 98</u>

To balance due me,

C. C. JAMISON, Treasurer.

E. E. BALTIMORE, May 29th, 1845.



## APPENDIX, G.

*To the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Maryland :—*

The Board of Trustees of the Episcopal Fund, respectfully report :

That as much progress in the collection of the Fund has not been made as would have been desirable, the Board not having been able to select one or more agents to make special application to the subscribers, residing out of the city of Baltimore. A circular has lately been addressed to all the vestries, in which they were most earnestly requested, without further delay to collect from each parish or congregation, the arrearages due, including the interest up to the 1st of May last. It is not known that any payments have been made to the Treasurer, in consequence of this appeal, but is hoped that the circular will be generally responded to, during the present Convention.

The statement of the Treasurer accompanying this report shows, that since the adjournment of the last Convention, \$3,011 91 of the principal, and \$542 50 of interest have been paid by subscribers to the fund ; \$1,128 92 have also been received by the contributions of a few of the Parishes, in reply to that part of the Board's circular, requesting that a sum equal to 50 cents for each communicant should be contributed to supply the deficiency arising from the non-payment of interest, \$1,374 55, and including a donation of five dollars, have been received in interest and dividends from investments.

The Board must report the regret expressed in the report made to the last Convention, that so little interest should be evinced by the vestries of the respective parishes, in relation to this Fund. It was to be presumed, that persons aware of the advantage to the diocese, of having its Bishop relieved from parochial duty, and who, for the purpose of accomplishing this object, became subscribers to the fund, would have shewn greater desire to comply with their engagements. And it is still believed that if the collection of the subscriptions was made the subject of more exertion by the vestries, that those who now appear as delinquents, would be found willing and ready to pay their arrearages. The Trustees, therefore, earnestly invoke the attention of the Convention and the vestries, to this important and interesting matter, and appeal to the feelings both religious and honorable, of all who have assumed objections in reference to it, which remain unfulfilled, in the hope that something effectual may be devised and carried out for the accomplishment of the object.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL I. DONALDSON.

*Summary of the Parochial Reports, June 1st, 1845.*

Parish or Church.	County.	Minister.	Baptisms.		Confirmed.	Communicants.			Funerals.	Teachers.	Believers.	Contribu- tions for Church purposes.	REMARKS.
			Adults.	Infants.		Not re- ported.	Died.	Rem'd.					
Emmanuel Parish, Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	Allegheny,	Samuel Bucl,	15	-	94	2	5	26	85	2	71	\$219 80 1/2	Church commenced: 26 by 45.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	John H. Kebler,	20	-	28	-	8	2	26	3	-	31 80	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	William F. Brand,	53	-	1	-	2	5	30	13	-	34 57 1/2	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Richard H. Waters,	-	8	-	1	2	3	26	4	-	68 00	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	E. M. Van Deusen,	-	-	-	5	4	12	116	5	-	388 80	Services for colored people.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Joshua Morell,	-	24	-	2	2	3	65	9	-	207 67	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Henry Alsquith,	-	1	-	-	-	-	7	3	-	-	\$300 paid on the Church debt.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Edward J. Stearns,	8	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	109 13	Church enlarged and furnished.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Hugh T. Harrison,	2	-	4	1	2	3	26	2	-	-	Church ready for consecration.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Henry Alsquith,	-	20	3	2	1	2	40	2	-	-	Vacant during the whole year.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Vacant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Am't Minister, Rev. T. J. Wyatt.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	Baltimore County,	Wm. E. Wyatt, D.D.	2	26	-	-	-	-	380	11	-	-	Sustains a city missionary, and a
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Francis Peck,	3	26	-	2	5	18	115	5	175	5,500 00	Female Orphan Asylum—\$3,000
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Henry V. D. Johns,	-	-	-	-	-	41	340	-	-	-	for tower and bells.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Robert Piggott,	-	13	-	-	-	-	36	4	33	-	Includes the "Church of the Re- demption."
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Alfred A. Miller,	4	6	7	-	2	15	53	-	18	357 93	Church nearly finished.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Joseph Traupel, Jr.,	2	7	-	1	-	-	131	3	-	687 00	\$500 by a Fair.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	John N. McJilton,	2	-	4	-	-	-	41	4	-	-	Has paid off its debt.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Thomas Atkinson,	2	28	-	-	-	-	326	5	-	1,700 00	A Free School and a Female Cha- city Asylum.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	John N. McJilton,	4	14	-	-	-	-	30	2	-	-	Services also at Md. Hospital.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	George A. Lenkin,	-	10	-	-	-	-	21	9	80	-	Church built: 25 by 67.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	Baltimore County,	Matthias L. Forbes,	-	3	-	-	4	2	42	8	-	-	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Charles C. Austin,	-	5	-	3	-	-	14	2	-	-	thought.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Nathaniel A. Hewitt,	3	4	8	-	-	-	11	1	21	-	Site for a Church and buildings— Rector has just taken charge.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	L. Van Bokkelyn,	-	7	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Wm. N. Pendleton,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	" & Carroll,	D. Hillhouse Bucl,	1	1	2	-	-	2	14	1	-	50 40	Includes a small congregation at Lisbon, Howard District.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	" & Harford,	John B. Keech,	6	8	1	-	6	11	64	5	-	88 78	
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	Calvert,	Henry Williams,	-	-	-	-	9	3	5	5	-	-	Rector took charge Oct. 30, 1844.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Joshua Sweet,	-	-	-	-	-	-	79	5	-	-	\$300 of Church debt paid.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	"	Robert Froust,	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	Church in progress.
Christ Church, Mount Savage, Allegheny, Md.	Carroll,	D. Hillhouse Bucl,	-	7	4	-	-	4	9	-	-	48 03	

Church	Clergy	Worshippers	Communicants	Members	Children	Income	Expenses	Balance	Notes
St. Augustine's Parish,	Vacant.	11	94	-	-	-	-	-	Chapel built, and Lay Reader employed.
St. Mary Anne's "	R. L. Goldsborough,	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	
Trinity Church, Elkhon,	John W. Day,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
St. Stephen's Parish,	Vacant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Durham "	Lemuel Wilmer,	-	75	12	-	911	37	-	\$176 19
Port Tobacco "	James Abercrombie,	-	78	23	-	198	10	-	56 75
Trinity "	John M. Todd,	-	31	9	-	43	4	-	56 87
William & Mary "	William A. Harris,	-	10	9	-	47	1	-	40 00
Rock Creek "	Henry H. Bean,	-	15	1	-	116	7	-	322 81
Christ Ch., Washington Parish,	Levin I. Gillies,	-	11	1	-	24	53	-	1,806 96
Ascension Parish, Washington,	John W. French,	-	18	1	-	141	6	-	Church building, Church finished and occupied. \$1,605 for congregational purposes.
Epiphany "		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Rector succeeded late Rev. Wm. Hawley, Jan. 1934.
St. John's "	Smith Pyre,	4	31	2	-	30	140	-	600 00
Trinity "	Horace Suringfellow,	-	17	-	-	10	930	-	950 00
Christ Church, Georgetown,	S. G. Gameway,	1	16	13	5	14	212	2	488 25
St. John's "	Alexander Shinas,	1	10	12	3	18	112	3	847 96
Dorchester Parish,	Vacant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Jointly sustain a City Mission.
" "	James A. McKenney,	-	6	1	1	48	5	-	Missionary services part of the year.
Great Choptank Parish,	Esch Bayley,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
East New Market "	Vacant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Vienna Parish,	Joshua Peterkin,	1	94	-	5	21	152	14	1,000 00
All Saints' "	John F. Hoff,	-	29	-	-	4	80	3	Parish in Pleasant Valley about to be finished
St. Mark's "		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Parish & Sunday School Libraries.
St. Paul's "	Richard H. Phillips,	-	10	-	-	12	2	6	14 95
Zion "	" "	-	7	-	-	31	5	4	50 00
St. George's "	Vacant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
St. John's Parish, H. de Grace,	C. F. Jones, D. D.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Chester Parish,	Thomas B. Flower,	-	10	-	2	5	31	3	36 06
St. Paul's "	John Owen,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Shrewsbury Parish,	Edward Waylen,	1	22	-	3	9	48	4	97 48
Prince George's "	Orlando Hutton,	-	19	-	-	8	26	3	51 43
St. Bartholomew's Parish,	" "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Church finished. Congregation newly organized.
St. John's Church,	Vacant.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Late Rector resigned in February.
St. Peter's Parish,	Henry S. Keppeler,	-	28	-	1	50	1	-	Rector took charge Jan. 1. Organized Bible Class.
Holy Trinity "	G. L. Mackenheimer,	-	19	-	-	47	6	-	Services at Calvert's Manor.
Queen Ann "	John Martin,	-	37	-	2	82	9	-	
St. John's "	William Pinkney,	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
St. Matthew's "	" "	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Zion "	Samuel O. Kerr,	-	42	-	1	11	20	5	194 00
St. Paul's "	G. K. Nelson,	-	31	-	6	133	6	17	50 00
Trinity Ch., Upper Marlboro',	A. M. Marbury,	-	45	-	9	11	84	7	691 50
St. John's Parish,	William Walsh,	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	144 65
Christ Church Parish,		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Rector took charge Advent Sunday, 1944.



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